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Hongkong, October 14, 1904. 1859

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Hongkong, October 10, 1904. 1793

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October 6, 1904. 1829

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SANITARY BOARD OFFICE, HONGKONG.

TO THE OWNERS OF DOMESTIC BUILDINGS.

TAKE NOTICE that under No. 5 of the DOMESTIC CLEANLINESS and VENTILATION BYE-LAWS (as amended), every Domestic Building or part of such building within the Central Division of the City of Victoria and the Western Division of Kau-lung occupied by members of more than one family must be CLEANSED and LIMEWASHED THROUGHOUT by the Owner during the months of September and October.

N.B.—The word 'throughout' used in this notice means that the houses should be Limewashed in respect of all the Walls of each Room and Staircase—all cubicle partitions—Stair Casings and Stair Linings, all Ceilings and the Undersides of Roofs, both in Main Buildings, Offices and Servants' Quarters and inclusive of Verandahs.

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THOS. A. HANMER, *Secretary.*

Dated this 7th day of October, 1904. 1856

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the THIRTY-FIRST ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the Society will be held at its HEAD OFFICE, No. 1, QUEEN'S BUILDINGS, Hongkong, on THURSDAY, the 20TH OCTOBER, 1904, at NOON, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with Statement of Accounts for the year 1903, and for the half-year ending 30th June, 1904, and of Declaring Dividends, etc.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Society will be CLOSED from the 10th October to the 20th October, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,

C. MONTAGUE EDE, *Acting Secretary.*

Hongkong, September 21, 1904. 1715

CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE TWENTY-THIRD ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the OFFICE of the UNDERSIGNED at 12 o'clock (NOON), on FRIDAY, the 21st OCTOBER.

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All day long the usually peaceful slope of Essex Street was thronged with messengers hurrying down with requests for more. Telegrams poured in from all parts of Europe; one harassed bookseller in the far north trebled his orignal order in three hours with no fewer than three successive telegrams.

The same tale comes from the United States and Canada, where the book is being simultaneously published.

The hero is a clergyman, 'tall and muscular, with well-knit limbs, broad shoulders, and a head altogether lacking in the humble for conciliatory "droop" which all worldly-wise parsons cultivate for the benefit of their rich patrons.' He is refreshingly unorthodox, even in his sermons, and is the last person in the world to entertain a bad opinion of anyone simply because he or she never went to church. 'There was a man sent from God whose name was John,' quotes Miss Corelli, and the Rev. John Walden, who, it seems, has a living original, is the man.

The proud heroine is chastened by misfortune, and the diffident hero at last wins his bride. 'Everyone has been happy to-day!' she said, looking up with a smile. 'All the world around us seems to thank God.'

'All the world would thank Him if it could but find what we have found,' answered John, drawing her close to his heart—'all it wants, all it needs, both for itself and others, for this world and the next, is simply—Love!'

AN EXECUTIONER AND HIS SUBJECTS.

At the ripe age of eighty-one, the famous French executioner, Louis Deibler, has died peaceably at his Paris residence last month. He resigned his lugubrious post six years ago, and was succeeded by his son, who is thirty-nine years of age.

It was in 1858 that the elder Deibler entered on his career as assistant-headsman at Algiers. Five years later, on the death of his father, he became executioner-in-chief for Brittany, and in 1879 reached the highest post in his profession—that of sole executioner for France.

His first task was to put to death a monster named Laprade, who had murdered his father, mother, and grandmother under circumstances of the greatest barbarity. So fierce was the resistance that he offered on the scaffold that the headsman had to stun him by dashing his head on the pavement.

Another of his 'cases' was the police-sergeant Prevost, who, enjoying the reputation of a model officer, was nevertheless convicted of murdering two persons, whose dismembered bodies he threw into the Paris sewers. He died with great firmness, declaring that not all his blood could wash out his crimes.

Pranzini, the elegant and fascinating, Ravachol, the tigerish Anarchist, and Caserio Santo, the assassin of President Carnot, were among the criminals who died by the hand of Deibler. Five hundred is said to have been the total of his cases in his nineteen years of office.

When Carrara, the Italian mushroom-grower, who killed and tried to burn the body of a man whom his wife had lured into his house, was thrown under the great knife trembling with fear, one of the assistants shouted, 'He is dead! It is a corpse that you are going to behead.' It was true; the assassin had died of sheer terror. But even as the man spoke the blade descended and did its work.

In appearance, says the *Journal*, Deibler was short and of weakly physique. Far from being of sinister visage, he looked like a prosperous tradesman, but always wore a somewhat sad expression, while his movements, even on the scaffold, were slow and deliberate. He was the perfect executioner.

A Naval Scout.

'She and her sisters will act as the eyes of the fleet,' said the Chairman of the Fairfield Shipbuilding Company at the launch of H. M. S. *Forward* at Glasgow recently. The *Forward* is the first of the new scout class to be launched. Her mission will be to gain intelligence of an enemy's strength and position, and then take to her heels and bring the news to the fleet. With this object in view she has been built primarily for speed and sea-keeping power. She will be able to steam at 25 knots, and her bunker capacity will enable her to travel 6,000 knots at 12 knots an hour. Her armament will consist of ten 12-pounders, eight 3 pounders, and two torpedo tubes. From thirty inches below the water-line to the upper deck the *Forward* will be protected by two-inch Krupp non-cemented armour. She is 384ft long, has a beam of 40ft., a draft of 14ft., and a displacement of 2,950 tons. 'These vessels are the small cruisers of the future,' said Admiral Wilson at the luncheon after the launch. 'The *Forward* will be able to run away from anything larger than herself.'

A MAGIC KETTLE.

At the Palace Theatre, London, recently, Mr Ralph Dean gave a private demonstration to a large number of representatives of the Press of what he calls that Great Magic Kettle Act, in which he was deftly assisted by Miss Hurst. The kettle does not differ in appearance from an ordinary kettle, and when the curtain went up for the demonstration it was apparently boiling away on a small, compact cooking stove, while set out on dainty little tables were chafing-dish, materials for an omelette and custards, grapes, flowers, and some indiarubber balls; another stand supports a block of ice, about the reality of which there can be no possible doubt, and on this the kettle is boiled. The first piece of business was the well-worn feat of washing a borrowed pocket-handkerchief in a borrowed hat. The former was put into the crown, and Mr Dean, with the hat in one hand and the kettle in the other, explained the merits of this particular method of washing. Then he raised the kettle, and poured, or seemed to pour, great part of its contents into the hat. There was a volume of vapour, such as one would think never issued from kettle-spout before, quite hiding the hat from the view. When the kettle was returned to its position on the stove, the handkerchief was lightly shaken, to show that it was free from moisture, and this and the hat were handed back to their respective owners. It was soon evident that whatever the kettle held the fluid could be turned to other uses than those of the laundry. Taking some ordinary hollow indiarubber balls, Mr Dean put them under the stream from the spot, and they were frozen to brittleness. Before this operation the performer pinched them between his finger and thumb; immediately after it he dashed them down on the stage, and they broke in pieces as if they had been of hollow glass. Grapes treated in similar fashion became hard as bullets, and rattled like halftones on the empty seats over which they were thrown.

It was humorously claimed for this kettle that it would be of great service for cooking in small establishments, and by its means Mr Dean turned out some very creditable ice-cream, which were handed round amongst the audience. There was no question of employing a machine or freezing-mixture; the material was prepared in full view of all present, mixed, and heated in a small pan over a fire kindled in a block of ice by means of the kettle, and then frozen by the vapour from the same utensil. In a similar way eggs were poached and afterwards frozen, so that they could be passed about from hand to hand.

Mr Dean then gave his audience some scientific facts about the properties of quicksilver, explaining the reason for its adoption in the tube of the thermometer—its power of remaining liquid under intense cold. Having thrown some down on the stage so that the shining globules could be seen in motion, he filled a little cardboard mould with the silvery metal, with a view of making a hammer-head, which to nail some piece of board together. The mould and its contents were placed in a dish, and then some of the liquid from the kettle was poured over them. The liquid bubled and the vapour rose. The hammer head, when turned out, appeared to be all that could be desired; but, unfortunately as soon as Mr Dean commenced to use it, it flew into a score of fragments, and for the moment the nails could not be driven. He was not, however, to be deterred by this accident, but tried once more, and this time drove the nails well through the wood with his hammer of frozen mercury—effective carpentry, though the tool was somewhat costly.

Intimations.

Hotels.

MAIL STEAMER DEPARTURES.

The following table is a chronologically arranged list of mail steamer sailings to Europe, America, Canada, and Australia. Coast ports, Manila, and Japan are not given, for steamers are constantly sailing for those ports. All the American steamers call at Japan, and the majority of the Australian boats call at Manila, and, in addition to those vessels, special steamers run there. The departure of every steamer is subject to alteration. The P. & O. mails usually reach London in about 28 days, and the French and German in about 28 or 30 days.

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Dep.		Steamer.	Destination.	Mail due London about.		Due.	
Oct.	18	M. M. Salazie	Marseilles	Nov.	16	Nov.	15
"	22	P. & O. Malta	London	"	20	"	27
"	26	G. M. S. Zienten	Bremen	"	25	Dec.	6
Nov.	1	M. M.	Marseilles	"	30	"	29
"	5	P. & O. Coromandel	London	Dec.	4	"	11
"	9	G. M. S. Prinze Alice	Hamburg	—		"	20
"	19	P. & O. Simla	London	—		"	25
"	23	G. M. S. Prinz Regent Luitpold	Hamburg	—		—	
"	29	M. M.	Marseilles	Dec.	28	Dec.	27
Dec.	3	P. & O. Chusan	London	Jan.	1	Jan.	8
"	7	G. M. S. Preussen	Hamburg	—		"	17
"	17	P. & O. Nubia	London	"	15	"	22
"	21	G. M. S. Prinz Eitel Friedrich	Hamburg	—		"	31
"	27	M. M.	Marseilles	"	25	"	24
"	31	P. & O. Bengal	London	"	29	Feb.	5

AMERICAN MAIL.

Dep.		Steamer.	Destination.	Due.	
Oct.	20	P. M. S. Coptic	San Francisco	Nov.	18
"	20	N. P. L. Lyra	Tacoma	—	
"	27	P. & A. Numantia	Portland, O.	—	
Nov.	1	do. Korea	do.	"	29
"	10	do. Gaelic	do.	Dec.	9
"	19	P. & A. Arabia	Portland, O.	—	
"	22	P. M. S. Mongolia	San Francisco	"	20
Dec	3	do. China	do.	"	31
				1905	
"	15	do. Doric	do.	Jan.	13
"	27	do. Siberia	do.	"	24
1905					
Jan.	7	do. Coptic	do.	Feb.	4
"	19	do. Korea	do.	"	17
"	31	do. Gaelic	do.	"	28
Feb.	11	do. Mongolia	do.	Mar.	11

CANADIAN MAIL.

Dep.		Steamer.	Destination.	Due.	
Oct.	19	C. P. R. Empress of China	Vancouver.	Nov.	9
Nov.	2	do. Tartar	do.	"	26
"	16	do. Empress of India	do.	Dec.	7
				1905	
Dec.	14	do. Empress of Japan	do.	Jan.	4
"	28	do. Athenian	do.	"	21
1905					
Jan.	11	do. Empress of China	do.	Feb.	2
"	25	do. Tartar	do.	"	18
Feb.	8	do. Empress of India	do.	Mar.	1

AUSTRALIAN MAIL.

Dep.		Steamer.	Destination.	Due.	
Oct.	27	C. N. Taiyuan	Sydney.	Nov.	17
Nov.	16	E. & A. Empire	do.	Dec.	7
"	16	C. N. Tsinan	do.	"	9
				1905	
Dec.	9	C. N. Changsha	do.	Jan.	1
"	14	E. & A. Eastern	do	"	4
"	26	C. N. Chingtu	do.	"	18
1905					
Jan.	11	E. & A. Australian	do.	Feb.	1
"	20	C. N. Taiyuan	do.	"	12
Feb.	8	E. & A. Empire	do.	Mar.	1
"	11	C. N. Tsinan	do.	"	5
Mar.	8	E. & A. Eastern	do.	"	29
April	5	" Australian	do.	April	26
May	3	" Empire	do.	May	24
			do.	—	

His Britannic Majesty's Ships on the China Station.

Name.	Class	Tons.	Guns.	I.H.P.	Captain.	Last reported at
Alacrity	despatch-vessel	1700	12	3000	Comdr. Richard M. Harbord	Hongkong
†Albion	battleship, 1st class	12,950	42	13,500	Captain Sydney R. Fremantle	Weihaiwei
Algerine	sloop	1050	6	1400	Commander R. Nugent	Japan
Amphitrite	cruiser, 1st class	11,000	16	18,000	Capt. Charles Windham, C.V.O.	Weihaiwei
Andromeda	cruiser, 1st class	11,000	16	16,500	Capt. R. N. Ommanney	Weihaiwei
Bramble	gunboat, 1st class	710	6	1300	Lieut.-Com. O. M. Makins	Yangtsze
Britomart	gunboat, 1st class	710	6	1300	Lieut.-Comdr. T. D. Pratt	Weihaiwei
Centurion	battleship, 1st class	10,100	14	13,000	Captain Fegan	Weihaiwei
Cressy	cruiser, 1st class	12,000	14	21,000	Captain Henry M. Tudor	Weihaiwei
Cherub	water tank and tug	390	—	300	———	Hongkong
Espiègle	sloop	1070	10	1400	Comdr. Ernest Barton	Singapore
Fame	torpedo boat destroyer	360	6	5700	———	Weihaiwei
Fearless	cruiser, 3rd class	1580	12	3200	Comdr. P. V. Lewes, D.S.O.	Shanghai
*Glory	battleship, 1st class	12,950	16	13,500	Captain Hon. Walter G. Stopford	Weihaiwei
Handy	torpedo boat destroyer	275	6	4000	Reserve	Hongkong
Hart	torpedo boat destroyer	275	6	4000	———	Weihaiwei
Humber	storeship	1640	—	800	Lieut.-Comdr. P. M. Riadore	Weihaiwei
Iphigenia	cruiser, 3rd class	3600	17	9000	Captain W. B. Fauckner	Shanghai
Janus	torpedo boat destroyer	280	6	3900	Lieut.-Comdr. A. Gregory	Weihaiwei
Kinsha	river gunboat	—	4	—	Lt.-Comdr. C. P. Metcalfe	Yangtsze
Leviathan	cruiser, 1st class	14,100	18	31,592	Captain Francis G. Kirby	Weihaiwei
Moorhen	river gunboat	180	2	800	Lt.-Comdr. F. B. Noble	West River
Ocean	battleship, 1st class	12,950	16	13,500	Captain T. G. Greet	Weihaiwei
Otter	torpedo boat destroyer	350	6	6300	Reserve	Hongkong
Phœnix	sloop	1015	6	1400	Commander John Nicholas	Chemulpo
Rambler	Surveying-vessel	835	6	650	Comdr. C. E. Moore	Lebman
Rinaldo	sloop	980	10	1400	Com. D. St. A. Wake	Shanghai
Robin	river gunboat	85	2	240	Lt.-Com. R. E. Vaughan	West River
Rosario	sloop	980	6	1400	Comdr. Vivian	Manila
Sandpiper	river gunboat	85	2	240	Lt.-Com. H. T. Attay	West River
Sirius	cruiser, 2nd class	3600	8	9000	Capt. C. H. H. Moore	Shanghai
Snipe	river gunboat	85	2	240	Lt.-Comdr. Davidson	Yangtsze
Taku	torpedo boat destroyer	250	6	6500	Fleet Reserve	Weihaiwei
Tamar	receiving ship	4650	6	—	Commodore Dicken	Hongkong
Teal	river gunboat	180	2	800	Lt.-Comdr. E. V. Dugmore	Yangtsze
Thetis	cruiser, 2nd class	3400	8	9000	Capt. J. A. C. Wilkinson	Shanghai
Tweed	coast defence gunboat	363	3	200	Lieut.-Comdr. R. H. Keate	Yangtsze
Vengeance	battleship, 1st class	12,950	16	13,500	Capt. Leslie Stuart, C.M.G.	Hongkong
Vestal	sloop	980	6	1400	Comdr. S. St. John Farquhar,	Shanghai
Virago	torpedo boat destroyer	355	6	6300	Reserve	Hongkong
Waterwitch	surveying ship	620	—	450	Comdr. Ernest C. Hardy	Weihaiwei
Whiting	torpedo boat destroyer	360	6	5900	In Reserve	Hongkong
Woodcock	river gunboat	150	2	500	Lieut.-Com. C. W. Wrightson	Upper Yangtsze
Woodlark	river gunboat	150	2	500	Lieut.-Com. Wason	Upper Yangtsze

* Flag of Admiral Sir Gerard H. Noel, Commander-in-Chief.

† Flag of Rear-Admiral the Hon. A. G. Curzon-Howe, C.B., C.M.G.

Foreign Men-of-war on the China and Japan Station

Name.	Flag and Description.	Tons.	Guns.	H.P.	Captains.	
Aspern	Austro-Hungarian cruiser	2437	20	7300	Capt. Friedrich Grinzenberger	Singapore
Kaiserin Elisabeth	Austro-Hungarian cruiser	4000	29	8000	Captain Mirtl	Shanghai
Achéron	French armoured gunboat	1796	10	1700	Comdr. Laferriere	Saigon
Alouette	French gunboat	390	7	400	Lieut. A. Varney	Saigon
Argus	French gunboat	123	—	500	Lieut. Crespin	Canton
Aspic	French gunboat	475	3	450	Lieut. Jounet	Saigon
Avalanche	French gunboat	140	5	150	———	Haiphong
Bengali	French gunboat	580	6	400	———	Saigon
Bugeaud	French cruiser	3740	29	9000	Capt. Lefivre	Saigon
Casse-tete	French gunboat	140	5	150	———	Haiphong
*Châteaurenault	French cruiser	8018	18	17,000	Captain V. Poidloue	Woosung
Comete	French gunboat	525	4	438	Commander Louel	Haiphong
Decidée	French gunboat	690	10	900	Commander L'Easb	Saigon
D'Assas	French cruiser	4000	31	9500	———	Saigon
Estoc	French gunboat	—	—	—	———	Haiphong
Fronde	French destroyer	350	7	303	Lieut. Jehenne	Hongkong
Gueydon	French cruiser	9376	36	20,200	———	Shanghai
Henri Riviere	French gunboat	—	—	—	———	Haiphong
Javeline	French destroyer	307	7	300	Lieut.-Comdr. Beaussant	Hongkong
Kersaint	French gunboat	1250	6	2200	Commander Le Golleuc	Shanghai
†Montcalm	French cruiser	9700	12	19,600	Captain Cros	Hongkong
Olry	French gunboat	—	—	—	Capt. Hourst	Yangtsze
Pascal	French cruiser	4015	27	8500	Comdr. Sennes	Hongay
Redoutable	French cruiser	9437	8	6071	———	Saigon
Styx	French cruiser	1796	10	1700	Capt. Vincent	Saigon
Sully	French cruiser	9855	—	20,000	Captain Guibertean	Shanghai
Surprise	French gunboat	629	2	900	Lieut. Holgue	Shanghai
Takiang	French gunboat	—	—	—	———	Yangtsze
Vauban	French cruiser	6150	23	4560	Captain Blondel	Along Bay
Vigilante	French gunboat	123	7	500	Lieut. Carol	Canton
Bussard	German cruiser	1857	15	2900	Comdr. Huss	———
Fürst Bismarck	German flagship	11,000	36	14,000	Captain Prowe	Woosung
Geier	German cruiser	1776	15	2960	Comdr. von Studnitz	Shanghai
Hansa	German cruiser	6230	34	10,000	Capt. Weber	Hongkong
Hertha	German cruiser	6500	37	10,000	Capt. Baron Schimmelmann	Kiautschou
Iltis	German gunboat	1000	10	1300	Comdr. Baron von M. Hüllessém	Nanking
Jaguar	German gunboat	900	10	1300	Comdr. Wilbrandt	Shanghai
Luchs	German gunboat	850	10	1344	Comdr. Kroencke	Shanghai
Möwe	German gunboat	1009	8	875	Comdr. von Grumbkow	Manila
Seeadler	German cruiser	1640	15	2800	Comdr. Persius	Shanghai
Thetis	German cruiser	2660	24	8000	Captain Voit	Shanghai
Tiger	German gunboat	900	10	1300	Comdr. Deimling	———
Tsingtau	German gunboat	170	5	1300	Comdr. Giebber	Canton
Vorwarts	German gunboat	—	3	500	Lieut. Scharf	Shanghai
Elba	Italian cruiser	2300	10	7471	Captain Borea' Ricci	———
Marco Polo	Italian cruiser	3600	—	—	Captain Presbitero	Shanghai
Puglia	Italian cruiser	2498	29	7000	Capt. Pescetto	Shanghai
Adamastor	Portuguese cruiser	1960	14	4000	Captain d'Antas Ribeiro	Shanghai
Diu	Portuguese gunboat	720	—	—	Captain Coutinho	Macao
Vasco de Gama	Portuguese cruiser	3215	20	6000	Capt. Manuel Vasco de Carvalho	Shanghai
Alcout	Russian gunboat	810	6	730	Comdr. Guinter	Vladivostock
Amaur	Russian cruiser	2600	5	4700	Comdr. Gramatchickoff	Port Arthur
Askold	Russian cruiser	6000	27	24,000	Capt. Reitzenschtein	Shanghai
Bayan	Russian cruiser	7800	10	16,500	———	Port Arthur
Bobre	Russian gunboat	1050	8	1150	Comdr. Erjeckovitch	———
Bogatyr	Russian cruiser	6640	12	19,500	———	———
Diana	Russian cruiser	6731	6	8000	———	Saigon
Djighit	Russian gunboat	1456	3	1700	Capt. Nasarowsky	Port Arthur
Gaidamak	Russian gunboat	500	9	3500	Comdr. Yourieff	Port Arthur
Gremiastchy	Russian gunboat	1490	6	2000	Comdr. Zagarausky	———
Gromoboi	Russian cruiser	12,364	44	14,500	Captain Jessen	Vladivostock
Guiliak	Russian gunboat	1000	6	1000	Comdr. Shumoff	———
Mandjour	Russian gunboat	1224	7	1400	Commander Crown	Shanghai
Novik	Russian cruiser	3000	6	17,000	———	Shangalain
Otvajny	Russian gunboat	1490	6	2000	Comdr. Vasilleff	Port Arthur
Peresviet	Russian battleship	12,674	15	14,500	Captain Koroleff	———
Petropavlovsk	Russian battleship	10,960	16	10,600	Captain Jakovleff	———
Pobeda	Russian battleship	12,674	15	14,500	Capt. Zatzarcleng	Damaged
Poltava	Russian battleship	10,960	16	10,600	Captain Oseroff	Port Arthur
Rasboynica	Russian cruiser	1334	10	1788	Comdr. Liven	Port Arthur
Retvizan	Russian battleship	12,902	16	16,000	———	Port Arthur
Rossia	Russian protected cruiser	12,200	68	17,000	Captain Sepelrennipoff	Vladivostock
Rurik	Russian protected cruiser	10,923	26	13,250	Capt. Matusevich	———
Sevastopol	Russian battleship	10,960	16	10,600	Captain Serebrennikoff	Port Arthur
Silatch	Russian gunboat	950	2	1125	Lieut.-Comdr. Ivanoff	Port Arthur
Vsadnik	Russian gunboat	500	9	3300	Comdr. Zagoriansky-Kissel	Port Arthur
Zabiyaka	Russian cruiser	1230	15	1194	Comdr. Abramoff	Port Arthur
Albany	U. S. cruiser	3769	23	7500	Capt. Dyer	Cavite
Annapolis	U. S. gunboat	1000	12	1227	Capt. Rohrer	Shanghai
Bainbridge	U. S. torpedo-boat destroyer	420	7	8000	Lieut. G. Williams	Hongkong
Barry	U. S. torpedo-boat destroyer	420	7	8000	Lieut. Irwin	Hongkong
Callao	U. S. gunboat	238	10	600	Lieut. Diamaker	Canton
Chauncey	U. S. torpedo-boat destroyer	420	7	8000	Lieut. E. P. Jessop	Hongkong
Cincinnati	U. S. cruiser	3213	19	7500	Comdr. Hugo Osterhous	Shanghai
Dale	U. S. torpedo-boat destroyer	420	7	8000	Lieut. H. E. Arnold	Hongkong
Decatur	U. S. torpedo-boat destroyer	420	7	8000	Lieut. A. W. Knox	Hongkong
Elcano	U. S. gunboat	560	10	6000	Lt.-Comdr. J. Hood	Shanghai
Helena	U. S. gunboat	1392	8	1988	Comdr. P. E. Sanger	Canton
Monadnock	U. S. monitor	3990	6	3000	Captain Mahan	Shanghai
Monterey	U. S. monitor	4084	4	5244	Comdr. J. B. Milhen	Cavite
New Orleans	U. S. cruiser	3437	20	7500	Commander G. B. Harber	Shanghai
Oregon	U. S. cruiser	10,288	45	11,111	Captain Burwell	Shanghai
Pampanga	U. S. gunboat	211	3	250	Ensign J. R. Bass	Cavite
Paragua	U. S. gunboat	201	3	250	Capt. Bennett	Cavite
Rainbow	U. S. cruiser	4000	14	—	Capt. J. B. Collins	Manila
Raleigh	U. S. cruiser	3213	18	7500	Comdr. Marshall	Shanghai
San Francisco	U. S. cruiser	4098	27	9913	Captain Very	Manila
Vicksburg	U. S. cruiser	1000	13	1126	Commander Marshall	Shanghai
Villalobos	U. S. gunboat	347	3	530	Lieut. H. A. Wiley	Shanghai
Wilmington	U. S. gunboat	1397	8	1894	Commander A. W. Dodd	Manila
Wisconsin	U. S. flagship	12,000	50	12,600	Captain Clover	Shanghai

Flagship of Rear-Admiral Feilder.
There is also a Philippines U.S. Squadron.

* Flagship of Rear-Admiral de Jonquières.

† Flagship of Vice-Admiral Bayle.

MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW.

Auction.

2.30 p.m. Auction of Rattan Furniture, &c., at Mr V. I. Remedios' Sale Rooms.

Amusements.

8 p.m.—Performance at City Hall.

Miscellaneous.

Goods per *Benalder* undelivered after this date subject to rent.

General Memoranda.

THURSDAY, October 20:—
Noon—Meeting of Union Insurance Society of Canton, Ltd., at Head Office.

FRIDAY, October 21:—
Noon—Meeting of Shareholders of Canton Insurance Ld., at Messrs Jardine, Matheson & Company's Offices.
Goods per *Muzagon* not cleared at 4 p.m. on this date subject to rent.

SATURDAY, October 22:—
2 p.m.—Bazaar for Ministering Children's League on Volunteer Parade Ground.

BIRTHS.

On Sept. 27, at Pontianak, West Borneo, the wife F. VAN GULICK, (Minnie David, formerly of Singapore), of a Daughter.

On October 9 at the Maternity Hospital, Singapore, the wife of NORMAN TERENCE NEUBRONNER, of a Son.

On October 10, at No. 48, Range Road, Shanghai, the wife of J. J. JUDAH, of a Daughter.

On October 12, at No. 3, Yates Road, Shanghai, the wife of ALEXANDER DUER, of a Daughter.

MARRIAGES.

On Oct. 8 at Christ Church, Galle Face, Colombo, by the A. E. Dibben, EDMUND SCOTT-RUSSELL, son of the late Walter Scott-Russell and Margaret Scott-Russell, Richmond, Surrey, to EMILY KATE RILEY, daughter of the late Richard and Elizabeth Riley, of Liverpool and Singapore.

On October 8 at St. Andrews Cathedral, Singapore, by the Rev. E. Griffith Evans, Constance ETHEL, second daughter of Mr and Mrs J. Bruce Robertson, to GILLES HENNUS, Netherlands Trading Society, third son of the late Lieut. General H. P. J. Hennus, Dutch Army.

DEATHS.

At the Nursing Home Shanghai, on October 10, JAMES WATSON BROUGH, Municipal Police; aged 43.

At Ningpo, on October 10, EDWARD BELDIN, of the Imperial Maritime Customs; aged 62.

NOTICE TO CORRESPONDENTS.

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The China Mail.

HONGKONG, MONDAY, OCTOBER 17, 1904.

LOCAL AND COAST NEWS.

There were 245 European and 89 Chinese visitors to the City Hall Library, 103 European and 1,906 Chinese visitors to the Museum, during the week ending October 16.

To-day the Chung Yang Festival was celebrated by the Chinese, large numbers of whom in accordance with time honoured custom, ascended the Peak and performed the usual 'joss pidgin.'

We note that the piles to support a pier off the Standard Oil Company's property near Laichikok, are now being driven in. We understand that oil godowns are to be erected on the land there.

We are informed that an amusing story is going the rounds at Newchwang about a big 'American,' who is said to have recently purchased a steamer in Hongkong. It is alleged he filled the vessel up with provisions and stores of all kinds; took on board 450 head of cattle (40 of which are said to have died on board) and 100 sheep; shipped a crew and cleared for Newchwang, his ultimate destination, of course, being Port Arthur. He arrived off Port Arthur about midnight on September 30, but for some reason or other veered off and went to Newchwang. He landed his cattle, left them ashore for three days, then shipped them again, and cleared for Chefoo with his original cargo. 'Coals to Newcastle isn't in it?' says our informant.

Upset in the Harbour.

Yesterday afternoon a small canoe, manned by two local residents, capsized in the harbour off Causeway Bay. A strong wind was blowing and a heavy sea was running. The occupants of the canoe had been engaged in the exciting pastime of racing junks up the harbour, and when rounding to come down the harbour the small craft answered the helm swiftly and took on board so much water that she overturned, plunging the occupants into the sea. Immediately the canoe upset one of the big junks tacking up the harbour at the time—contrary to the expectations of the men in the water—promptly lowered a boat and two of the crew went to the assistance of the wrecked men. Two sampans also came up to assist, the first to arrive being occupied by several blue-jackets from the U.S. torpedo boat *Decatur*. The sailors assisted by the junkmen soon had the canoe righted and bailed out, and just then the steam launch *Taiching*, chartered by the Chinese Club for a picnic party, came up and kindly took the canoe in tow and the rescued men to shore. Every credit is due to the junkmen for the speed with which they hauled their vessel in and dropped their boat. It is generally believed that Chinese will not attempt to rescue anyone thrown accidentally into the water. This incident goes a good way towards exploding the fallacy. We understand that another boat also overturned but we have not the particulars.

INSTANCES of extreme old age are more common among those engaged in the exercise of gardening than in any other employment.

LOCAL AND COAST NEWS.

International Walking Match.

An International Walking Match between Australian, British Colonial, Danish, Dutch, English, French, German, Irish, Italian, Japanese, Scotch and Swiss teams was to have taken place at Shanghai yesterday.

Bank Manager Absconds.

Tientsin papers state that it has been officially notified that Mr Huber, lately a joint manager of the Russo-Chinese Bank, had been condemned to 2½ year's imprisonment in consequence of defalcations that had been discovered, and that he had absconded, leaving letters behind him suggesting suicide. A description of him is published in the papers by the German Consul at Tientsin.

Sanitary Institute Students.

On Saturday afternoon Messrs Carter, Sullivan, Duncan, Lee, Wright, Bennett, Ward, and Cullen, students of the Sanitary Institute, attended a visit of practical demonstration conducted by Mr. A. H. Ough. The students visited the new King Edward Hotel, Prince's Building and St George's Building, the general construction and modern improvements installed there being thoroughly explained. At the conclusion of the visit the students were entertained by Mr Ough.

The Late Captain Young.

The funeral of the late Capt Jas. Young of the Indo-China Company's steamer *Swiving* took place at Singapore on October 7. A few of the oldest friends of the deceased accompanied the funeral cortege from the hospital and others joined at the Cemetery. Among those present were the Hon. W. P. Waddell, Messrs Latham, Hewan, Sellar, Niven, C. J. Davies, King, Cox, Webb, Hood Begg, Ritchie, and Capts Johns and Owen. Many beautiful wreaths were sent. The ceremony at the graveside was conducted by the Rev. Griffiths Evans, and amid many expressions of sorrow the remains of a most courteous gentleman and capable seaman were laid to rest.

Smoke Concert.

At the Victoria Recreation Club's Gymnasium on Saturday night one of the most successful smoking concerts ever held by the Club was given. From start to finish there was dash and swing in the entertainment—no long waits or drags, but a steady flow of song and music until the close. The band of the Sherwood Foresters played the opening selection, after which Messrs G. H. Edwards, L. A. de Graca, A. R. Evans, Barlow, Hickman, Koenig, Tuxford, Danenberg, P. W. Goldring, W. Anderson, H. A. Tozer, Frank Austin, C. A. Brown, and Dr Swan contributed items, vocal or instrumental. Mr R. H. B. Mitchell was chairman and at the close of the concert he addressed a few words to the company extolling the virtues of the hon. secretary, Mr H. C. Austen, to whom the success of the entertainment was due.

GENERAL NEWS.

The Ziegler relief expedition failed to reach Franz Josephland. The ice was insurmountable, but they reached 79 degrees north.

Four gentlemen recently travelled in a motor car from Melbourne, to Vic., Sydney, N.S.W., and back again, a distance of 1152 miles, in ten and a half days, without breakdown or other accident.

Dowie the 'Apostle.'

A few days ago we announced that Dr. Dowie had taken upon himself the title of Apostle. We now find that thirty Dowieites, disapproving of Dowie's new title, have quitted Zion City for their home.

Disaster at a School.

During an interval at the Pleasure Ridge girls public school an outhouse collapsed. Nine girls were killed, being precipitated into a vault. It is feared eight others will succumb to internal injuries; and several others had their limbs broken.

American Lynchers Impeached.

The Grand Jury in Alabama, U.S.A., sanctioned the indictment of 26 whites at Huntsville for lynching and murder and for lesser offences. The Grand Jury also recommended the impeachment of the Mayor, Sheriff and Chief of Police for not preventing the lynching.

A Crown's Weight.

A telegram from London, dated September 22, says that owing to the weight of his crown, the King of Servia was so fatigued wearing it that twice he interrupted the reception at his Coronation in order to sit and remove it. The crown weighs 9 lbs. As the royal and military pageants passed along the streets they were greatly cheered.

Re-arming Chinese Troops.

A Nanking dispatch reports that both the Liangkiang and the Hukuang Viceroys—Li Hsing-jui and Chang Chihtung—have received instructions from Peking to arm all the troops in the five provinces composing the two Viceroyalties with the new quickfiring Mauser rifles, similar to those made in the Kiangnan Arsenal. All other pattern rifles in the possession of the troops are to be condemned as soon as possible.

AT a cost of 30,000,000 francs an attempt is to be made to pierce a tunnel through Mont Blanc from Chamounix to Courmayeur.

THE most expensive railway to travel on is the Congo, where the fare is £20 for 250 miles. This works out at about 1s 8d per mile.

GENERAL NEWS.

Two Japanese have been added to the Newchwang Pilotage service.

Admiral Noel, R.N., arrived at Tientsin on the 6th and went on to Peking on the 7th.

The death is announced of the Corean Mining and Cultivating Co., from inanition.

The capital of the Hirano Mineral Water Co., Lt., has been more than fully subscribed in Japan.

Eleven miners were drowned in the Ching Ching coal-mine in Chibli on the 30th ult. by an in-rush of water.

It is stated that the missing Captain von Gilgenheimb and Lieut. Cuverville did not return to Port Arthur.

A tornado at Ustica, on the Island of that name, has destroyed many houses. One person was killed and 45 injured.

Mr Assimprandi, of Peking, died of hydrophobia on the 4th. He had no recollection of having ever been bitten by a dog.

The steamer *Twelfth Kwanon Maru* (446 tons) caught fire and was beached and totally wrecked off Oyashita on the 2nd. No lives were lost.

The Japanese have reopened the railway line between Dalny, Newchwang, and Liaoyang, and some ten trains a day are now running between those points.

Chamberlain states that the assertion that he would support Home Rule in return for the Nationalist support on the fiscal policy is utterly without foundation.

It is reported that the King's Hotel at Weihaiwei has been bought by Messrs L. W. Singtai & Co., of Chefoo, owners of the Sea View and Beach Hotels at that port.

Mr Wegener, cashier of Messrs Kunst and Albers at Port Arthur, was struck on the 21st ult whilst in a bombproof shelter by a fragment of a shell, and died in hospital on the 25th.

The *Nichi Nichi* has been transferred to the protection of Mr Kato, ex-Minister to London, and will probably become an opposition paper says the *N.-C. Daily News* correspondent at Tokyo.

The orders for steel cars for the Baker street-Waterloo tube railway have been placed with New York firms, the British firms, being unable to make but one, which they are now equipping.

The marriage took place on October 5 between Mr Harry G. M. Burton of the I. M. Customs, Newchwang, and Miss Isabella McMullen, of Tientsin, at the British Consulate, Tientsin. Mr H. E. Fulford, Consul General, officiated. The service at All Saints was conducted by the Rev. Mr Sedgwick; and Mr Fulford gave the bride away.

A constable attached to the river police at Shanghai, named J. G. Munz, has been placed under arrest in connection with some trouble at Soochow Creek on October 14. Munz was on duty on the river where some rice boats where obstructing the navigation and instead of ordering them to move he went on board and seized a coolie and kicked him in the abdomen. The coolie expired in a few minutes.

American Railway Disaster.

American cables report another terrible railway disaster arising from the collision of two passenger trains, travelling at a high rate of speed in Tennessee. The furious impact of the two trains was attended with horrible results, 75 unfortunates being instantly killed, whilst 150 others were injured. The engines and several of the foremost carriages were knocked to pieces.

More Gold in West Australia.

A party of tributers have just made a magnificent find in the Reward Group at Southern Cross, West Australia, which is described as being even superior in richness to the famous Londonderry Reef. This discovery consists of a large and clearly defined reef, the stone in which, through its entire width, is actually smothered in gold. The find has created a great sensation on the field.

Russian Educational Policy.

Murski, the Russian Minster of the Interior, in the course of an interview, assured Reuter's representative of his firm intention of acting in the spirit of the Czar's manifesto issued, in 1903. His remarks imply that he will be resolutely opposed to forcible repression and that he intends at the outset to deal with the education problem and make substantial concessions to the Jews.

Judge Parker's Policy.

Judge Parker, in accepting nomination as the democratic candidate for the U.S.A. Presidency, advocated prudent tariff reform and trust legislation if the existing laws were inadequate; also the voidance of entangling foreign alliances. He urged that the United States should repudiate the role of continental policeman and foreign debt collector. It was sufficient for her to see that the other American states were enabled to work out their destiny without European coercion.

American Justice.

A telegram from London, dated September 22, states that no one has been punished in connection with the disasters by fire aboard the excursion steamer *General Slocum* at New York and the fire at the Iroquois theatre in Chicago. The officials of the theatre, after a temporary scare, were ordered to pay the lawyers' bills. The officials who certified to the good condition of the *General Slocum*'s life saving apparatus have been allowed to retain their posts.

BY TELEGRAPH.

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THE RUSSO-JAPANESE WAR.

FIGHTING FOR GUNS.

KUROPATKIN EXPLAINS THE LOSS OF HIS GUNS.

Japanese Night Attack.

LONDON, October 15.

General Kuropatkin, in a report dealing with the capture of Russian guns by Japan, says that two of his regiments on the right wing were compelled to abandon their guns, consequently Japan succeeded in taking them.

The Russians, however, succeeded in recapturing all but sixteen of them.

Their temporary success was short-lived, for the Japanese, by a night attack, forced the Russians to again abandon the recovered guns.

['CHINA MAIL'S' SPECIAL SERVICE.]

RETREATING TO THE HUN RIVER.

Kuropatkin Once More 'Lures 'em on.'

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

TOKIO, October 16, 7.50 p.m.

General Kuropatkin's offensive scheme has proved a complete failure.

He has been unable to retain positions which he captured, and now the whole army is falling back to the Hun River.

It is estimated that the Russian casualties number about 50,000 in killed and wounded.

[JAPANESE OFFICIAL TELEGRAMS.]

GENERAL ADVANCE SUCCESSFUL.

More Guns Secured.

TOKIO, October 15, 4.5 p.m.

Marshal Oyama's reports of Friday's fighting included the following statements.

The column under Prince Kanin has been fighting on the left bank of the Taitsecho, at a point seven miles east of the Penhsecho.

The attacks and general advance were successful all along the front.

The left army captured ten more guns.

ENORMOUS CASUALTIES.

Thirty Thousand Russians Killed.

TOKIO, October 15, 8.25 p.m.

The Russians were driven to the right bank of the Shaho, thus fundamentally destroying their plan of attack.

Russian casualties were estimated at over thirty thousand. Our men buried over two thousand Russian corpses on Thursday.

The booty taken included a vast number of rifles; also ammunition carts, &c., and the guns already reported.

COUNTING THE SLAIN.

Fearful Carnage.

Details of the Slaughter.

October 16, 10.15 a.m.

Marshal Oyama's reports of the 15th instant state that 4,500 Russians were found dead on the battlefield, in front of the Japanese right army, besides many more still uncounted.

There were 100 new prisoners.

It was estimated that the total Russian loss in front of this one army was alone over twenty thousand.

The Russian losses in front of the Japanese centre and left are being investigated.

October 16, 2.10 p.m.

The number of Russian corpses buried by the Japanese up to Thursday, previously reported as 2,000, referred only to the left army's position.

In front of the central army were 2,500 left on the field.

The total number of Russian corpses so far ascertained has reached 8,550.

Those figures, however, do not take into account the result of the fierce engagements with the left army on Friday and Saturday. There are many more waiting to be picked up.

[REUTER'S SERVICE.]

Japanese Bombarding Port Arthur.

LONDON, October 14.

General Stoessel reports that on the 1st instant, the Russians recaptured Signal Hill. The Japanese were bombarding the interior of the fortress from new batteries; and the bombardment was becoming more and more violent.

Liaoyang Eclipsed.

The capture of fifteen guns by the Japanese is officially admitted in St. Petersburg.

Russian correspondents agree that the fighting has been of a more desperate character than at Liaoyang, and that the combatants have a complete disregard for life. Positions were taken and retaken six and eight times daily at a terrible cost. Frequent hand-to-hand encounters occurred, in which both sides threw hand grenades with murderous effect. Cannonades continued nightly.

Russia Steeped in Gloom.

LONDON, October 15.

Reuter's St. Petersburg correspondent wires that the news from Manchuria has caused a profound gloom; in striking contrast to the elation provoked by the proclamation.

General Kuropatkin wires that the Russian losses are understood to be about 8,000.

A Word for the Japanese.

We find the following in the *China Times*:—The *Novosti* has interviewed a Major-General with regard to the allegations made by the Russian Press that the Japanese have tortured the Russian wounded. The Russian officer referred to went through the Russo-Turkish War, the Chinese campaign, and took part in the present war until June, and he declares categorically that the Japanese soldier is incapable of such cruelty, and he will not admit for one moment that the Japanese army is guilty of the horrible deeds attributed to it. In fact, the Japanese is, above all things, 'the personification of discipline.' 'In my experience,' continues the General, 'that is, during the battle of Kulienchéng and in the later conflicts, the Japanese attended to our wounded men just as they did to their own. We never found dead or wounded men who had been ill-treated. All the reports furnished by prisoners of war and by such of them as have escaped from Japanese captivity testify that the Japanese treated our wounded in a thoroughly humane manner.'

Correspondents.

Of all the numerous special War Correspondents who were attached to General Kuroki's First Army, only four are now left; and of these Mr F. A. Mackenzie, of the *Daily Mail* is on his way down, having been recalled; Mr W. Maxwell, of the *Standard*, is on leave; Mr F. Collins, *Reuter's* and *Associated Press*, also on leave at Peking; whilst Mr J. Hare, *Collier's Weekly*, alone remains with Kuroki's Headquarters. Mr M. H. Donohoe, of the *Chronicle* has left for Japan, and Mr McHugh, of the *Telegraph*, has gone Home.

Kuropatkin's Station.

According to the prisoners taken by the Japanese during the recent fighting, General Kuropatkin with three divisions was in the rear of the Russian fighting line, facing the Japanese right and main army.

Loss of a Japanese Man-of-war.

TOKIO, October 11.

The gunnery ship *Heiyen* struck a floating mine in Pigeon Bay, Port Arthur, on the 18th ult., amidships on the starboard side. She sank in four or five minutes and there was no chance to rescue the crew, of whom only four were saved.

The *Heiyen* was formerly the Chinese cruiser *Pingyuin*, and was taken by the Japanese at Weihaiwei in 1895. She was built in Foochow in 1890. Her displacement was 2,067 tons, and her speed 10.2 knots. She had an 8-inch armour belt, 12 guns, and a complement of 300.—ED. *N.-C. Daily News.*

The Vladivostock Squadron.

The *Japan Daily Mail* says:—The Vadivostock Squadron consisted originally of four ships—the *Rossia*, the *Gromoboi*, the *Rurik* and the *Bogatyr*. It was announced that the last-named vessel had sunk on her way back to Vladivostock in May. Thereafter rumours came that she had not gone down, that she had only run on a rock near the entrance of the harbour, that she had subsequently been taken into the harbour, and even that she had been fully repaired so as to be fit again for action. But it appears that the Japanese authorities place no reliance on this last statement. All reports received by them go to show that the cruiser did in reality go to the bottom. The allegation that she still exists as a fighting unit belongs to the same category as the allegation that repairs of the *Rossia* and the *Gromoboi* were completed on the 21st of September. These stories are Russian inventions.

The 'Chenan' Under Fire.

The C. N. S. *Chenan* which arrived at Shanghai recently from Tangku, Chefoo and Tientsin, reports:—When 86 miles S.E. of Taku Bar, at 7 p.m. on the 5th instant, a searchlight was playing on the ship at intervals until the vessel with the searchlight was astern. At 7.40 p.m. the searchlight was on the ship constantly and a projectile landed about 40 feet off the port beam. Half-a-minute later another projectile landed right astern, about 20 feet off. Both raised columns of water. At 7.55 p.m. we were boarded by a Japanese naval officer, who examined our papers. He said that two blank shots had been fired to which we had paid no attention, before the projectiles had been discharged. We neither saw nor heard the blanks. When informed how close the shots had landed, the officer chuckled with satisfaction. He was very polite and gave the name of his own ship as the Japanese cruiser *Suma*. At 8.45 p.m. we proceeded again.

Land Fighting Around Port Arthur.

CHEFOO, October 11.

A traveller who left Dalny at daybreak of the 10th instant reports as follows:—

At the beginning of October only intermittent cannonading has been heard. From daybreak of the 6th instant till noon of the same day a continuous cannonade was

heard and the same afternoon it became less severe. Again on the 7th instant the sound of terrific cannonading was heard all day and from day-break of the 8th till the night of the 9th instant further furious cannonading was heard. During night the firing and the fall of shells were clearly visible. It was reported that at 1 a.m. of the 8th instant, the Russian squadron suddenly tried to make a sortie out of Port Arthur. Before that the Japanese army attacked two mountains between the Golden Hill and Tungchikwanshan and occupied a fort on a certain mountain in the east and then the Russians poured shells upon the fort from the two fortresses mentioned. The Japanese left the fort for that day and entered the entrenchment there when the Russians reoccupied the fort. The Japanese used the heavy guns which had been mounted on one of the mountains farther in the rear to cover the Japanese advance and fired at the Russians who re-occupied the fort and again enabled the Japanese to re-occupy the same fort. The forts on the two mountains between the Golden Hill and Tungchikwanshan then were utilized by the Japanese to fire upon the town of Port Arthur and thus the Russian squadron was obliged to try to leave the port. In the direction of Itsushan the Japanese use heavy guns with large calibre and make furious attacks. It is stated by a Russian that since the 19th September all the redoubts and eminences once occupied by the Japanese had been retaken by the Russians. However, the Japanese who came from Dalny affirms that as to the other directions he does not know, but the reservoir of water supply was still in the Japanese hands when he left Dalny.

Land Engagement at Port Arthur.

CHEFOO, October 12.

According to an authentic report which reached here, it is stated that the Japanese made a general attack upon the Russians from the 19th to 23rd September and occupied the water reservoir as well as six redoubts south of Suizeying and had also destroyed a large portion of two square forts south of Suizeying (the position of these square forts on Chikwanshan east of Urlangshan and on the other mountains are not on the summit but on the slope of the mountain in front of permanent fortresses so as to check the Japanese advance.) There is a very steep eminence 203 metres high, west of Itsushan where all the enemy had been dispersed and the Japanese made an advance, but to secure the ammunition with the main body, the Japanese retired once. On the 26th September, Kuropatkin fort, which is one of the most important square forts, was occupied by the Japanese and all the square forts south of Suizeying have been completely destroyed and the Japanese made an advance beyond these square forts. Cannonading was heard intermittently but the firing had been made to prevent any obstruction for all the preparatory works. However, from the 8th October for two days a terrific artillery duel was continued between the Japanese and the Russians without any interval. The Japanese had newly mounted heavy guns on a certain height and fired upon the Russian warship in the harbour and heavily damaged the *Retvisan* and such firing upon the Russian warships continued till the 10th October. The Russian squadon tried to make a sortie. The preparatory works of the Japanese have been greatly advanced and as the square forts which used to cause the Japanese such harrassing effect have been occupied by the Japanese, the Japanese positions have become safe, and now the decisive attacks upon Port Arthur to capture the stronghold will be made. Recently the Russians have often used wooden shells and the constant use of their guns without any cleaning has damaged them, and some of them have become useless, from which facts it appears the Russians are in great difficulty with their guns and ammunition.

Blockade Runners.

CHINCHOW, October 12.

An authentic report from Yinkow says that the Russians are suffering from a defective water supply and want of provisions and the Japanese fleet are since the 5th instant more strictly blockading the entrance to Port Arthur. The Russians are offering large sums for transporting provisions and fresh water by native junks, but on the 22nd September, 13 junks were captured by the Japanese and sent away to Dalny and were confiscated by the Japanese authorities, both the junks and cargo thereon. Beside these there are twenty more junks trying to run the blockade into Port Arthur but the Japanese, hearing of the report, sent more torpedo boats to effect the blockade more strictly.

[REUTER'S SERVICE.]

THE DUKE OF CONNAUGHT'S ACCIDENT.

LONDON, October 14.

The recent accident to the Duke of Connaught was due to a collision. The Duke, who was accompanied by Major Murray, was thrown out of the car. It is officially stated the Duke is suffering from a scalp wound, and an injury to the left ear, but no serious consequences are anticipated.

LATER.

The Duke of Connaught is progressing favourably.

GERMANY'S AFRICAN TROUBLES.

Hendrik Wilboi, the most influential Hottentot chief in Damaraland, hitherto most ostentatiously loyal, has declared war on the Germans, and it is expected that the bulk of the Hottentots will now join the Hereros, thereby doubling Germany's difficulties.

SAXONY'S KING DEAD.

LONDON, October 15.

The death of King Albert of Saxony is announced.

[Saxony is a kingdom of Germany, the third in importance and population. King Albert was born on April 23, 1828, and is therefore 76 years of age. He married Caroline, daughter of the late Prince Gustave de Wasa on June 18, 1853. He ascended the Throne on October 29, 1873, twenty years after his marriage. The heir-presumptive to the Throne is the late King's brother, Field Marshal Prince George, who married Maria Anna Infanta of Portugal on May 11, 1859. Prince George's wife died in 1888.—ED., *C.M.*]

DARWIN asserted that there is insanity among animals just as there is among people.

MINISTER CONGER RESIGNS.

SAN FRANCISCO, October 12.

A change is announced in United States diplomatic circles. Edwin H. Conger, Minister to China, resigns and will be succeeded by W. W. Rockhill, director of the bureau of American republics.

The foregoing announcement shows that President Roosevelt has at last succeeded in his desire of replacing Mr Conger by Mr Rockhill, says the *Manila Cablenews*. The fight over Conger has been going on for some time, the republicans in Iowa, to which state Conger belongs, threatening that they would not stand for Conger's removal. President Roosevelt was for appointing him to some other foreign post, but this the Iowans would not listen to. President Roosevelt simply contended that of the two men Rockhill by virtue of his superior knowledge of China, was the better man for the place. He has now made good his contention. Whether it will affect his chances in Iowa during the election remains to be seen. Mr Conger is from the state of Iowa. He has seen a long term of service as minister to China and was in Peking during the memorable Boxer outbreak, being shut up with the other foreign ministers in the legation buildings. Rockhill, who is at present director of the bureau of American republics, was appointed to that position by President McKinley. He has served as minister to Greece and as secretary to the American legation in China. While in this latter capacity he made a trip into Tibet and wrote a book on his experiences. He is said to be the best versed of any man in America on Chinese matters. He is a graduate of the French military school of St Cyr and served with the French army in Algiers after which he was sent to China. He also served as special commissioner to adjust matters after the Boxer outbreak.

SPORTING.

ROWING.

At the V.R.C. on Saturday afternoon the final scratch four-oared race of the season took place. Four boats pulled out, and a good start was made, the boats going off together. Unfortunately, the No. 3 man in Rapp's crew broke his oar, which, of course, put the boat out of the race. The other three boats continued to keep together, but Musso's and Lammert's boats began to leave Witchell's crew behind, but not by much. As the finish was neared the leading boats were almost level, but Musso won a hard fought race by less than half a length, Witchell's boat being third.

The crews were:—

F. P. Musso (stroke), R. W. Pearson, A. Loureiro O. R. Chunnett (Bow), F. M. Rosa Pereira (cox).

L. E. Lammert (stroke) H. C. Austen, J. Cameron, J. P. Jordan (Bow), E. Humphreys (cox).

J. Witchell (stroke), G. B. Macdonald, E. da Silva, J Cruickshank (Bow), E. Herbst (cox).

F. Rapp (stroke), E. F. Aucott, J. W. Bains, H. M. Bain (Bow,) S. B. Peter, (cox).

Starter Mr G. A. Caldwell.
Judge Mr R. H. B. Mitchell.

INTERPORT CRICKET PRACTICE.

This match concluded on Saturday and resulted in a draw.

The scores were as follows:—

HANCOCK'S TEAM—First Innings 251.

SMITH'S TEAM—First Innings.

W. Daniel, c Pearce, b Soper	11
C. H. Mackay, c de Paris, b Walter Dixon	6
F. C. Butcher, b W. Dixon	4
F. Maitland, st. de Paris, b W. Dixon	10
C. M. G. Burnie, b Airy	26
A. G. Ward, b Airy	10
F. L. Horsey, R.N., b J. T. Dixon ...	25
Capt. Harris, c Airy, b J. T. Dixon...	5
Lt. Heath, c and b R. Hancock ...	55
H. Hancock, not out	31
Dr. Forsyth, c de Paris, b R. Hancock	0
T. S. Smith (capt.), not out...	13
Sundries	1
Total Ten wickets for ...	197

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Dixon, W.	8	2	34	3
Soper	4	1	14	1
Airy...	7	0	56	2
Dixon, J. T.	14	1	40	2
Chichester	5	0	32	0
Hancock, R.	5	0	16	2
Pearce, T.	1	0	4	0

H.K.C.C. 'A' v. POLICE.

A match between the Police Cricket Club and the Hongkong Club's 'A' team, 13 aside, took place on Saturday. The Police made 50 (McHardy 11, Langley 8) while the Club team scored 70 for 11 wickets (F. Kew 17 not out, H. R. Wells 17). For the Police Lander 3 for 10, Shepherd 4 for 14, Edwards, Langley and Kent 1 each, took the wickets, while Olver 9 for 24 and Butt 3 for 8, performed the same service for the Club.

Craigengower 'A' defeated Civil Service 'A' by 52 runs, the scores being 74 to 12.

League Cricket.

CIVIL SERVICE v. R.A.M.C.

At Happy Valley on Saturday the Civil Service C.C. defeated the Royal Army Medical Corps by one wicket and 24 runs. The scores were:—Civil Service 9 wickets for 69 (Dr Atkinson 20, P. L. Lamble 19 and R. C. Witchell 14). R.A.M.C. 45 (Staff-Sgt. Wilson 13, Sgt. Reordon 9, not out). For the R.A.M.C. Byford and Wilson took 4 wickets each, while Weaver took 6, Raven 3 and Witchell 1 for the Civil Service.

KOWLOON v. A.O.C.

The Army Ordnance Corps defeated the newly-formed Kowloon Club by 28 runs. Kowloon scored 25 (C. W. Brett and Harrop 7 each) and A.O.C. 53 (Webb 10, Edwards 9). Swan and Scott-Cranston, for Kowloon, took 4 wickets each, while Edwards (5) and Bradford (4) took the wickets for the A.O.C.

THE YOKOHAMA CRICKET TEAM.

According to the *Japan Daily Mail* a cricket match took place on October 1 between probable and possible players to represent Yokohama in the Japanese Interport matches. The fifteen Possibles made 140 (Dr Moon 45, V. Hearne 30 and F. S. G. Piggott 12) and the Probables lost 4 wickets for 85 (S. W. Argent, not out, 21, F. E. White, not out, 18, W. D. S. Edwards 18 and B. C. Foster 12). E. B. S. Edwards took 6 wickets for 42, A. Kingdon 2 for 16, E. W. Maitland 2 for 23, B. C. Foster 2 for 2 and H. W Kilby one for 21, for the Probables. For the Possibles Dr Moon took 2 for 27, F. S. G. Piggott, 1 for 23 and A.E. Cooper 1 for 9.

THE white of the eye showing beneath the iris is said to be indicative of nobility of character.

BURN orange peel in a shallow pan for several minutes to destroy any displeasing order in a room.

RETURN OF THE 'HAILOONG.'

'Baron Gordon' Still on the Rocks.

The Douglas Company's steamer *Hailoong*, which was despatched some time ago to try and salve the wrecked steamer *Baron Gordon*, returned to port this morning from the Paracels. The *Hailoong* was unsuccessful in her mission and returned to port without having salved the *Baron Gordon*, which, she reports, is still fast on the rocks. The *Hailoong* on arrival took up a berth in the dangerous goods anchorage, Stonecutter's Island, in order to land some dynamite.

STRAITS CURRENCY.

Sir John Anderson, Governor of the Straits Settlements, in his annual address, said:—The re-minting of British and Mexican Dollars into Straits has been carried on continuously during the year. Thirty-three million one hundred and twenty-eight thousand eight hundred and seventy-four dollars have already been received from the Mint and there are about $2,200,000 to come, which will complete the re-minting operations. From the first of September last the British and Mexican Dollar ceased to be legal tender; so that, for the first time in the history of the Colony, we have a currency of our own. The prohibition of the export of Straits Dollars was withdrawn on the fifth of the same month and these coins are now free to go wherever they are required by the trade of the Colony. The first important step has accordingly been taken towards fixity of exchange. It is impossible now to foretell the date at which a fixed ratio with gold can be determined or what that ratio will be. The future history of the value of silver can only be conjectured, and with the disturbing influences which now affect commerce and exchange, especially in the Far East, it would be unwise to be in any hurry to come to a decision on which the financial position of the Colony and of the Federated Malay States must greatly depend.

WINTER IN PORT ARTHUR AND MANCHURIA.

No systematic meteorological observations had been carried out at Port Arthur prior to the occupation by the Russians. The results of the Russian observations have not been published, so that the only available data for determining the climatic conditions during the winter at Port Arthur are the records made by the Japanese Navy off Port Arthur during the Chino-Japanese war. The record of the temperature (Fahrenheit) is as follows:—

Month.	Highest.	Lowest	Average.
October.....	74	40	62
November.....	60	32	46
December.....	56	18	33
January ...	44	5	30
February	46	zero	29
March	48	16	37

The severity of the winter, says the *Japan Daily Mail*, is shown by the fact that during the naval operations off Port Arthur in the Chino-Japanese war, the spray that dashed over the bows of a warship formed into ice and greatly impeded her movements, and that many of the blue-jackets engaged in clearing away the ice lost their hands owing to frost-bite.

The *Japan Times* gives the following record of snowfall and lowest temperatures at Mukden during the winter months:—

Month.	Lowest Temperature.	Snowfall. No.
October...	34.7	2
November	13.7	1
December	3.9	5
January...	8.1 below zero	5
February	5.1 below zero	3
March	22.5	2

(The temperature given above is Fahrenheit).

It will be seen that snow does not often fall, but the temperature is said to have registered 29 deg. below zero during a certain winter.

KIDNAPPING CASE.

Comments by a Japan Paper.

Commenting on the recent kidnapping case discovered here, and the sentence of eighteen months and six months respectively passed upon the two men concerned, by Sir Henry Berkeley, the *Kobe Chronicle* says:—It cannot be said that the punishment is severe when the nature of the crime is considered. The accused were indirectly responsible for the death of one man who attempted to get out of their clutches, and they have apparently sent many of their fellow-men and women to labour in mines and plantations in the South, where the death-rate testifies to the nature of the conditions. Thirty years ago Sir John Smale, when Chief Justice of Hongkong, held that a kidnapped coolie, forcibly detained, was justified in killing his abductors; to-day Sir H. S. Berkeley, the present Chief Justice, does not apparently consider the discovery of this conspiracy to be worth any remark or comment, for, judging by three newspaper reports consulted, he contented himself by simply sentencing the men brought before him. Indeed, he even appeared to deprecate much being said regarding the prevalence of the practice discovered, for when the Attorney-General referred to the widespread character of the conspiracy, he was told by the Chief Justice that he must confine himself to the particular case before the Court. It would almost seem that the strong antipathy to slavery in any form which prevailed thirty and forty years ago has in these latter days become less pronounced. However that may be, the case in question shows conclusively that, despite all safeguards, coolie traffic from China is always likely to be accompanied by kidnapping and to end in slavery. The Hongkong Emigrants' Ordinance is a measure which was devised with the object of protecting the coolie and preventing such scandals as were associated with the traffic in Macao; yet we find that in the Colony itself, and under the very nose of the officials appointed to guard against the unwilling shipment of coolies to the plantations and mines, kidnapping has apparently been flourishing for years, the abductors battening on the ignorance of the coolies. It is not to be expected that any different result will follow from the system which is disguised by the name of 'indentured labour.' When there is a large and ignorant populace to be drawn upon for such service, and the law protects contracts made with persons who cannot understand that they are signing away their liberty for a certain term of years, such abuses are certain to creep in. The men who trade in coolies will find some way or other of circumventing the law and adding to the profits they derive from the traffic. It has been so with the coolie labour for Assam, and it will be so with the indentured labour for the Transvaal.

THE REST DAY.

When Sunday comes I don an old,
Old flannel suit, and put a snack of
Sandwiches in haversack,
Along with paints and sketching book;
And far across the hills I track;
And if I've luck, I'll not behold
A single soul the livelong day,
Nor evil thought shall disarray
The pleasant course my mind has took
Into the fields where peace doth stay.

I'll leave behind me in the town
Lunch and card parties—and the bells—
One can't enjoy the glades and dells
With mind that's full of 'worldé's muck,'
Nor grasp the story Nature tells
With sigh and smile, with laugh and frown;
Nor understand the brown bird's song;
Nor why the toad, the reeds among,
In measured pants the air doth suck;
Nor what doth make the ants so strong.

Refreshed, encouraged, I return
To recommence the six days' fight:
Shekels by day, and tricks by night;
The meal time talk of ponies; wine;
Of friends' shortcomings; and the might
Of gold, for which all hearts do yearn;
The one and Single aim of life,
More precious than a virtuous wife,
Healthy children, the muses nipe,
The fall of Kings, the rabble's strife.

WEI.

KIDNAPPED.

A woman who was kidnapped at Hongkong and taken to Singapore told the following story to the Police Magistrate at Singapore. Under cross-examination she said she had left Canton to purchase oil cloth at Hongkong so that she might be able to make a living by making up hoods and aprons for 'rickshas at Canton. She had not enquired if this was purchasable at Canton. She had only $1.20 in her possession. When she reached Hongkong she landed alone and the defendants caught her, gagged her and took her to a lodging house where she was kept in a room for six days, the two men remaining with her all the time, except on two occasions when she was allowed to go to the Chinese Protectorate, and to have her photo taken. On these occasions she was accompanied by a boy from the lodging house. On neither of these occasions did she attempt to disclose to any one her peculiar position. Even at the Protectorate and before an official she made statements which were untrue. Her silence and the making of these avowals injurious to her reputation were the result of the instructions she had received from the defendants who she declared had put her in a state of fear she could not shake off. When she went on board the *Arratoon Apcar* it was in the belief that she was to be taken back to Canton, and it was because she was so promised that she held her tongue. All through she averred that she was terrorized by the defendants. When she came to Singapore she said nothing about her abduction until she saw Mr Bailey a second time.

'THE FIRING-LINE.'

The *World's News* contains a new and virile poem by Henry Lawson, an Australian poet, which we reproduce below. Since the publication of 'In Days when the World was Wide' it is doubtful if Mr Lawson has written anything so strong and vigorous as this latest production, which was suggested by a recent cablegram from the seat of war in the Far East:—

'Many of the soldiers were so exhausted that they feel asleep in the firing-line.'

They are creeping on through the cornfields
yet, and they clamber amongst the
rocks,
Ere they rush to stab with the bayonet and
smash with the rifle stocks.
And many are wounded, many are dead—
some reel as if drunk with wine,
And fling them down on a bloodstained
bed, and sleep in the firing-line.

And they dream, perhaps, of the day shut
back, while the shrapnel shrieks and
crashes,
And field guns hammer and rifles crack, and
the blood of a comrade splashes,
In horrible shambles they rest awhile from
murder by right divine;
They curse or jest, and they scowl or smile,
and they dream in the firing-line.

In the dreadful din of a ghastly fight they
are shooting, murdering, mon;
In the smothering silence of ghastly peace
We murder with tongue and pen,
Where is heard the tap of the typewriter—
where the track of reform they mine—
Where they stand to the frame and the
linotype—we are all in the firing-line.

Weary and parched in the world-old war
we are fighting with quivering nerves;
The dead are our fathers who charged be-
fore, and the children are our reserves.
In the world-old war, with the world-old
wrongs that shall last while the stars
still shine,
My comrades and I, who would sing their
songs, are all in the firing-line.

There are some of us cowards who hug the
ground, and some of us reckless who
jest;
And some of us careless who slumber
sound, and some of us weary who rest.
There are some of us dreamers, whose beds
seem soft, and, O heart! O friend of
mine!
The brightest and bravest of earth too oft
lie drunk in the firing-line.

But the sleeper may wake ere the fort we
storm and the coward be first to dare.
And the weak grow strong, and the drunk-
ard reform, and the dreamer strike
hardest there.
God give me strength in my country's need,
though shame and disgrace be mine,
And death be certain, to rise and lead when
we charge from the firing-line.

EIGHTEEN stained-glass panels from the original Star Chamber were sold recently for 10 guineas.

MAGNETIC iron sand has recently been discovered on the south coast of Java, and it is reported to be very valuable.

THE Imperial Canal in China is the longest in the world, and connects no fewer than 41 cities in the course of its 800 miles.

BY WHARF AND WAVE.

The str. *Anping*, which arrived recently at Shanghai from Chefoo and Tientsin reports that on the morning of the 11th inst. she passed a water-logged deck house in approximate Lat 36° 23' N. and Long 122° 43' E.

Some surprise was occasioned at Pago Pago (Samoa) recently by the appearance in the harbor of a small craft, containing two men. It was ascertained that she was an open boat from the Marquesas Islands, owned by a trader named M'Grath. He reported that he had been driven from those islands, by the strong winds prevailing there about July 7 last, after making several attempts to return to Tahiti, but failing, through the heavy weather, he decided to come to Samoa and dispose of his boat, thence returning to his home via New Zealand. M'Grath, with a servant had travelled in the open boat a distance of nearly 3000 miles. Fortunately, when setting out from his station in Nukuhiva, in the Marquesas Group, he had a good load of provisions, which he was conveying to another island about 30 miles away. He ran short of water, but managed to call in at the deserted guano island known as 'Caroline,' where he obtained water from an old tank left there by the former occupants. M'Grath, in his endeavours to beat back to Tahiti, called also at Flint Island and then at Penhryn. After another attempt, he reached Maushiki Island, but, owing to heavy seas, he could not land there, so he made for Suwarrow Island. There he replenished his exhausted stock of provisions and supply of water. He then came on to Pago Pago and tried to sell the boat, but no one would give the sum he desired. M'Grath left Pago Pago for Apia on August 23 last. The boat is schooner-rigged 26ft. overall.

Strike of Girls.

The girls engaged at the Curzon cotton mills, at Ashton-under-Lyne, have struck work because they were required to clean machinery after hours. Eighty fresh girls were engaged from Oldham to take the places of the strikers, whereupon thousands of sympathisers with the strikers threw bricks, stones, and pepper at the 'blacklegs.' Hundreds of police intervened, and with difficulty protected the newcomers, who had to be conveyed from the mills to their homes in omnibuses with boarded windows.

Serious Fire at Nikko, Japan.

A disastrous fire occurred at Nikko on September 10. Ninety houses were destroyed and seven badly damaged. Seven godowns, four telephone poles, and 15 electric light posts were also burnt. Among the houses destroyed were the Nikko branch of the Shimotsuke Bank, the Nikko Commercial Bank and two inns. Homeless people are quartered at the Kannoji temple. The fire, which was accidental, broke out at geisha house in Hachiishimachi, the whole of which street was burnt down, the flames spreading to the adjacent street. Most of the business quarter at Nikko was thus reduced to ashes.

To-day's Advertisements

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LONDON, &c.	*Malta* R. A. PETERS	Noon, 22nd October.	*See Special Advertisement*
LONDON & ANTWERP, VIA S'PORE, P'ANG, CL'BO, AND PORT SAID	*Malacca* A. F. STREET	About 23rd October.	Freight and Passage.
SHANGHAI, MOJI AND KOBE (passing through the INLAND SEA).	*Banca* J. B. FERGUSSON	About 25th October.	Freight only.

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P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office,
Hongkong, October 15, 1904. 26

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Hongkong, October 14, 1904. 2

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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

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TAMSUI, Via SWATOW AND AMOY,	*FRITHJOF*, Capt. H. A. HARALDSEN,	SUNDAY, 23rd Oct., at Daylight.
FOOCHOW, Via SWATOW AND AMOY,	*TRIUMPH*, Capt. A. HANSEN,	WEDNESDAY, Oct. 26, at Daylight.
TAMSUI, Via SWATOW AND AMOY,	*M. STRUVE*, Capt. T. BRANDT,	SUNDAY, 30th Oct., at Daylight.

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T. ARIMA, *Manager.*

Hongkong, October 17, 1904. 2579

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FROM	STEAMERS	DUE
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	AGAMEMNON	21st October.
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	PYRRHUS	27th October.
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	YANGTSZE	29th October.
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	DARDANUS	5th November.
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	NINGCHOW	11th November.

HOMEWARDS.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
* GENOA, MARSEILLES & LIVERPOOL	ACHILLES	20th October.
LONDON, AMSTERDAM & ANTWERP	PINOSUEY	25th October.
LONDON, AMSTERDAM & ANTWERP	MACHAON	8th November.
LONDON, AMSTERDAM & ANTWERP	JASON	22nd November.
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CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LD.

FOR	STEAMER	TO SAIL
MANILA	TAMING *	18th October.
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Hongkong, October 15, 1904. 2245

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Hongkong, September 26, 1904. 1520

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Hongkong, October 11, 1904. 1847

AMERICAN ASIATIC STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR NEW YORK, VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Steamship CLAVERBURN Captain PARKER, will be despatched for the above Port on or about SATURDAY, the 22nd October.

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SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
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Hongkong, October 15, 1904. 1674

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Silk and Valuables, all Cargo for France, and Tea for London (under arrangement) will be transhipped at Colombo into the mail steamer proceeding direct to Marseilles and London; other cargo for London, &c., will be conveyed from Bombay by the R.M.S. *Mongolia*, due in London on the 4th December, 1904.

Parcels will be received at this Office until 4 p.m. the day before sailing. The contents and value of all packages are required.

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Hongkong, October 8, 1904. 1832

AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAM TO

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THE Company's Steamship MARIA VALERIE, Captain BERBEROVICH, will leave for the above places on FRIDAY, 21st Inst., p.m.

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Hongkong, October 14, 1904. 1853

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STEAMERS.	To SAIL. 1904.
ST HUGO	About Nov. 18.

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Hongkong, October 5, 1904. 110

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First-class Passengers who do not care to return on the Excursion Sunday, will be allowed to do so the following day (Monday) on production of the Return Half Ticket. Should the Steamer not run on the Monday, owing to the Boiler Cleaning, due notice will be given by the Captain, and the Half Ticket will be available for the following day. The Steamer will shortly be lit throughout by Electricity.

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Hongkong, October 5, 1904. 1820

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DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.,
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Hongkong, October 17, 1904. 1860

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NOTICE

STEAM FOR

SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA, COLOMBO, PONDICHERY, CALCUTTA, BOMBAY, ADEN, DJIBOUTI, EGYPT, MARSEILLES, MEDITERRANEAN AND BLACK SEA PORTS, LONDON, HAVRE, BORDEAUX.

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Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the Agency's Office.

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L. BRIDOU,
Acting Agent.

Hongkong, October 5, 1904. 1814

STEAMSHIP SERVICE TO NEW YORK, via PORTS and SUEZ CANAL.

THE Steamship KENNEBEC, will be despatched as above on or about SATURDAY, the 12th November, 1904.

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Hongkong, October 13, 1904. 1852

Notices to Consignees.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S STEAMER *MAZAGON.*

FROM BOMBAY, COLOMBO AND STRAITS.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above-named Vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed *at their risk* in the HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN COMPANY'S GODOWNS at Kowloon where each Consignment will be sorted out Mark by Mark, and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

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No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in any case whatever.

Damaged Packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignees and the Company's representative at an appointed hour. All Claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognised. No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns.

E. A. HEWETT,
Superintendent.

Hongkong, October 15, 1904. 1863

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship *Lightning*, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods will be delivered from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge will be landed at once at Consignees' risk and expense. Cargo remaining on board after 4 p.m. of the 13th Instant, will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense into the Godowns of the HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN COMPANY, LIMITED.

Consignees of Cargo from SINGAPORE and PENANG are requested to take IMMEDIATE delivery of their Goods from alongside; such Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the undersigned.

DAVID SASSOON, & Co., LD.,
Agents.

Hongkong, October 11, 1904. 1843

'BEN' LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

STEAMSHIP *BENALDER.*

FROM ANTWERP, LONDON AND STRAITS.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the GODOWNS of the HONGKONG and KOWLOON WHARF and GODOWN CO., LIMITED, whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods undelivered after the 18th Inst., will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 25th Inst., or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 18th October, at 11 a.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

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Hongkong, October 12, 1904. 1848

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FROM RANGOON AND STRAITS.

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Intimations.

HONGKONG HIGH-LEVEL TRAMWAYS COMPANY, LIMITED

TIME TABLE.

WEEK DAYS.

(On and after 1st October, 1904.)

6.45 a.m. to 7.00 a.m....Every 15 minutes.
7.30 a.m. to 8.00 a.m...Every 10 minutes.
8.00 a.m. to 8.30 a.m...Every 15 minutes.
8.30 a.m. to 9.30 a.m...Every 10 minutes.
9.30 a.m. to 11.00 a.m...Every 15 minutes.
11.30 a.m. to 12.45 p.m...Every 15 minutes.
12.45 p.m. to 1.15 p.m...Every 10 minutes.
1.15 p.m. to 1.45 p.m...Every 15 minutes.
1.45 p.m. to 2.15 p.m...Every 10 minutes.
2.15 p.m. to 3.00 p.m...Every 15 minutes.
3.30 p.m. to 5.00 p.m...Every 15 minutes.
5.00 p.m. to 8.00 p.m...Every 10 minutes.

NIGHT CARS.

8.45 p.m. and 9 p.m., 9.45 p.m. to 11.15 p.m. every half hour.

SUNDAYS.

8.00 a.m. to 9.00 a.m...Every 15 minutes.
9.00 a.m. to 9.30 a.m...Every 30 minutes.
9.30 a.m. to 10.30 a.m...Every 15 minutes.
10.30 a.m. to 11.00 a.m...Every 10 minutes.
12.00 Noon to 1.00 p.m...Every 10 minutes.
1.00 p.m. to 5.00 p.m...Every 15 minutes.
5.00 p.m. to 6.00 p.m...Every 10 minutes.
6.00 p.m. to 7.00 p.m...Every 15 minutes.
7.00 p.m. to 8.00 p.m...Every 10 minutes.

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Hongkong, September 30, 1904. 1061

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Hongkong, April 13, 1904. 140

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Subscribed Capital £2,750,000
Paid-up Capital £687,500 0 0
II—Fire Funds 3,053,961 12 3
III—Life & Annuity Funds 13,154,188 16 7

£16,898,650 8 10

Revenue Fire Branch... 1,935,128 0 0
" Life & Annuity Branches..... 1,615,755 11 9

£3,550,883 11 9

The Accumulated Funds of the Fire and Life Departments are free from liability in respect of each other.

Hongkong, June 18, 1904. 1537

FIREMAN'S FUND INSURANCE CO. OF SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA.

STATEMENT TO 31ST DECEMBER, 1903.

ASSETS, GOLD.....$5,858,820.37
NET SURPLUS, GOLD.....$2,156,118.80
INCOME, GOLD $3,470,787.53

FIRE BRANCH.

THE Undersigned, having been appointed AGENTS for the above Company, are prepared to accept Fire Risks at Current Rates.

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.

Hongkong, March 23, 1904. 562

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MARINE BRANCH.

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Hongkong, April 28, 1904. 1412

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HONGKONG BRANCH:
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CHARLES R. SCOTT,
Manager

Hongkong, July 26, 1904. 161

THE CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA, AND CHINA.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER 1853.
HEAD OFFICE, LONDON.

CAPITAL PAID-UP £800,000
RESERVE LIABILITY OF SHAREHOLDERS £800,000
RESERVE FUND £800,000

INTEREST allowed on Current Account at the rate of 2 % per annum on the Daily balances.

On Fixed Deposits for 12 months 4 %
" " " 6 " 3½ %
" " " 3 " 2½ %

T. P. COCHRANE,
Manager.

Hongkong, May 20, 1904. 46

THE MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED.

AUTHORIZED CAPITAL.....£1,500,000
SUBSCRIBED £1,125,000
PAID UP.....£ 562,500
RESERVE FUND.....£ 80,000

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ON FIXED DEPOSITS:—
For 12 Months .....4 %
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" 3 " .....2½ %

EVAN ORMISTON,
Manager.

Hongkong, May 14, 1904. 234

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL.....$10,000,000
RESERVE FUND—
Sterling Reserve, $10,000,000
Silver Reserve ... 6,500,000
.....$16,500,000
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J. R. M. SMITH,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, July 21, 1904. 66

HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.

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For the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation,
J. R. M. SMITH,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, May 1, 1900. 1517

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S. SHIGENAGA,
Manager.

Hongkong, February 2, 1904. 216

Banks.

IMPERIAL BANK OF CHINA.

ESTABLISHED BY IMPERIAL DECREE ON THE 12TH NOVEMBER, 1896.

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL, ... Tls. 5,000,000
PAID-UP CAPITAL, ... " 2,500,000

HEAD OFFICE—SHANGHAI.
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" " 12 " ... 5%

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Acting Manager.

Hongkong, May 17, 1904. 1970

THE YOKOHAMA SPECIE BANK, LIMITED,

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CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED ... Yen 24,000,000
CAPITAL PAID-UP ... ... " 18,000,000
CAPITAL UNCALLED ... " 6,000,000
RESERVE FUND ... ... " 9,520,000

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TARO HODSUMI,
Manager.

Hongkong, September 12, 1904. 589

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Beef sirloin & prime cut—Mei Lung Pa	lb	18	牛脊肉
" Corned—Ham Ngau Yuk	"	18	鹹牛肉
" Roast,—Shiu " "	"	18	燒牛肉
" Breast,—Ngau Lam "	"	13	牛腩
" Soup,—Tong Yuk	"	14	湯肉
" Steak,—Ngan Yuk Pa	"	18	牛肉紙
" —Cutom Ngau Lau Sirloin	"	26	牛柳
" Sausages,—Ngau Chaung	"	26	牛腸
Bullock's Brains,—" Siow	per set	9	牛腦
" Tongue fresh,—Ngau Li	each	45	鮮牛脷
" " corned—Ham Ngau Li	"	55	牛脷
" Head,—Ngan Tau	"	55	牛頭
" Heart,—Ngau Sum	lb.	9	牛心
" Hump, Salt—Ngau Kin	"	14	牛肩
" Feet,—Ngau Kerk	each	8	牛脚
" Kidneys,—Ngau Yiu	"	8	牛腰
" Tail—Ngau Mei	"	16	牛尾
" Liver,—Ngau Con	lb.	9	牛肝
" Tripe (undressed)—Ngau To	"	5	牛肚
Calves' Head and Feet—Ngau-chai-tau-kak, set		75	牛仔頭脚
Mutton Chop,—Yeung Pai Kwat	lb.	25	洋排骨
" Leg,—Yeung Pei	"	25	洋腿
" Shoulder,—Yeung Shau	"	22	洋手
Pigs' Chittlings—Chi chong	"	16	猪腸
" Brains—Chi Know	per set	2	猪腦
" Feet,—Chi Kerk	"	12	猪脚
" Fry,—Chi Chak	"	12	猪雜
" Head,—Chi Tau	"	15	猪頭
" Heart,—Chi Sum	each	8	猪心
" Kidneys,—Chi Yiu	"	7	猪腰
" Liver,—Chi Con	lb.	24	猪肝
Pork, Chop,—Chi Pai Kwat	"	23	猪排骨
" Corned,—Ham Chu Yuk	"	—	鹹猪肉
" Leg,—Chu Pei	"	24	猪比
" Fat or Lard,—Chu Yau	"	18	猪油
Sheeps' Head and Feet,—Yeung Tau Kerk set		50	羊頭脚
" Heart,—Yeung Sum	each	6	羊心
" Kidneys,—Young Yiu	"	10	羊腰
" Liver,—Yeung Con	lb.	22	羊肝
Sucking Pigs, To Order—Chu Chai	"	16	猪仔
Suet, Beef,—Sang Ngau Yau	"	17	生牛油
" Mutton,—Sang Yeung Yau	"	22	生羊油
Veal,—Ngau Chai Yuk	"	18	牛仔肉
" Sausages,—Ngau Chai Yuk Tong	"	15	牛仔肉腸

Poultry. 生口

Chicken,—Kai Chai	lb	30	鷄仔
Capons, Large, Small,—Sin Kai	"	28	閹鷄
Ducks,—Ap	"	20	鴨
Doves,—Pan Kau	each	30	鴿鳩
Eggs, Hen,—Kai Tan	per dozen	20	鷄蛋
Fowls, Canton,—Kai	"	32	鷄
" Hainan,—Hoi Nam Kai	"	28	海南鷄
Geese,—Ngoi	"	24	鵝
Geese, Wild Sh'ai,—S'hai Yer Ngoi,	pair	—	上海野鵝
Musk Deer,—Wong Keng	each	—	黃麂
Hare, Shanghai,—Tu Chai	"	—	兎仔
Partridge,—Che Khoo	"	70	鷓鴣
Pheasant,—Shan Kai	pair	—	山鷄
Pigeons, Canton,—Pak Kup	each	20	白鴿
" Hoihow,—Hoi How Pak Kup	"	25	海口白鴿
Quail,—Um-Chun	each	22	鶉
Rice Birds,—Wo Fa Cheuk	dozen	60	禾花雀
Snipe,—Sa-Choy	"	25	沙錐
Turkeys, Cock—Phor Kai Kung	"	60	火鷄公
" Hen, " " Na	"	45	火鷄母
Wild Ducks, S'hai,—Shanghai Sui-ap	pair	—	上海水鴨
Teal,—Sui Ap Chai,	"	75	水鴨仔
Wild Ducks, Canton—Sang Shing Sui Ap,	ea.	—	省城水鴨

Fish. 海鮮

Barbel,—Ka Yu	lb	14	鯽魚
Bream,—Bin Yu	"	12	鯿魚
Canton Fresh Water Fish,—Ho Sin Yu	"	13	廣信魚
Carp,—Li Yu	"	14	鯉魚
Catfish,—Chik Yu	"	10	赤魚
Codfish,—Mun Yu	"	11	鱈魚
Crabs,—Hai	"	9	蟹
Cuttle Fish,—Muk yu	"	12	墨魚
Dab,—Sa Mang Yu	"	14	沙芒魚
Dace,—Wong Mei Lun	"	10	黃尾鱲
Dog Fish—Tit Tu Sa	"	8	跌倒沙
Eels, Congor, Hai Mann	"	12	海鰻
" Fresh water,—Tam Siu Yu	"	13	淡水鰻
Eels, Yellow, —Wong Sin	"	24	黃鰻
Frogs,—Tien Kai	"	33	田鷄
Garoupa,—Sek Pan	"	48	石斑
Gudgeon,—Pak Kup Yu	"	12	白鮈魚
Herrings,—Tao Pak	"	14	鯡魚
Halibut,—Cheung Kwan Yu	"	16	黃花魚
Labrus,—Wong Fa Yu	"	14	黃魚
Losch,—Wu Yu	"	9	鱸魚
Lobsters,—Lung Ha	"	28	龍蝦
Mackerel,—Chi Yu	"	16	鰣魚
Monk Fish,—Mong Yu	"	22	老鼠
Mullet,—Chai Yu	"	16	鯔魚
Oysters,—Sang Hoo	"	—	生蠔
Paratiah,—Kai Kung Yu	"	14	鯽公魚
Perch,—Tam Loo	"	13	鱸魚
Pike,—Fa Paw Poung	"	9	花鮑魚
Plaice,—Pan Yu	"	14	鰈魚
Pomfret, Black,—Hak Chong	"	22	黑鯧
Pomfret, White, Pak Chong	"	18	白鯧
Prawns,—Ming Ha	"	10	明蝦
Ray,—Pei Pa Sa	"	8	鱭巴沙
Rock Fish,—Sek Kau Kung	"	12	石鯛公
Roach,—Chun Yu	"	9	鯇魚
Salmon,—Ma Yau Yu	lb	28	馬友魚
Shark,—Sa Yu	"	8	鮫魚
Skate,—Po Yu	"	9	鱟魚
Shrimps,—Ha	"	20	蝦
Snapper,—Lap Yu	"	13	立魚
Soles,—Tat Sa Yu	"	16	鰈沙魚
Tench,—Wan Yu	"	14	鯇魚
Turbot,—Cho How Yu	"	15	左口魚
Turtle, small, fresh water,—Kerk Yu	"	70	龜魚
White Bait,—Ngan Yu Q	"	—	銀魚仔

Fruits. 菓子

Almonds,—Hung Yan		20	杏仁
Apples, (California)—Kam San Ping Kho		25	金山平果
" (Chefoo)—Tin Chun Ping Khor		20	天津平果
" Small,—Hoi Tong		10	海棠
" Custard,—Fan Lai Chi	each	—	番荔枝
Bananas, fragrant, Canton,—Sau Shing Heung Chiu		3	省城香蕉
Bananas, (brides), Macao—San Heung Chiu		3	山香蕉
Chestnuts, Chinese,—Foong Lut		15	風栗
Carambola,—Yeung Tuo		10	楊桃
Cocoanuts,—Yeh Tez	each	9	椰子
Lemons, China—Ning Moong		8	檸檬
" America—Kum Sau Ning Moon	"	5	金山檸檬
Lichees, Dried—Lai Chi Con		18	荔枝乾
" Fresh— " "		—	荔枝
Limes, (Saigon)—Sai Kung Ning Moong		7	西貢檸檬
Mango, Manila—Lui Sung Mong	each	—	呂宋芒
Mango, Saigon—Sai Kung Moong	"	—	西貢芒
Mangosteens,—San Chuk Tse	dozen	—	山竹子
Oranges, (Canton)—San Shing Tim Chang		6	省城甜橙
" Small,—Tai Kut		—	大橘
Olives,—Pak Lam	lb	8	白欖
Pears, (American),—Kam San Shut Li		—	金山雪梨
" (Canton), Cooking,—Sa Li		18	沙梨
" (Shanghai),—Sheung Hai Li		20	上海梨
Peanuts,—Fa Sang		10	花生
Persimmons Large,—Hung Chie		7	紅柿
Pine-apples, 1st quality,—Sheung Poon Ti Paw Law	each	—	本地菠蘿
" 2nd cocking—Chung-tang-paw-law	"	—	中唐
Plantains,—Tai Cheu		2	大蕉
Plums,—Swatow Hung Lai		—	紅梅
Pumelo, Siam,—Chim Lo Yau	"	12	暹羅柚
Walnuts,—Hop Tuo		15	合桃
" Green,—Sang Hop Tuo		—	生合桃

Vegetables, &c. 菜蔬

Artichokes, Shanghai—Sheung Hai Chi Cheuk	lb	8	上海洋治菜
Beans, (French), Macao,—Oh Moon Pin Ta		10	澳門扁豆
" (French), Shanghai,—Sheung Hai Pin Tau		8	上海扁豆
" Sprout,—Ah Choi		2	芽菜
" Long,—Tau Kok		7	豆角
Beet Root,—Hung Choi Tau	each	2	紅菜頭
Brinjals, Green,—Ching Yuen Ker		—	青元茄
" Red,—Hung Ker		4	紅茄
Brassica,—Pak Choi		3	白菜
Bamboo Shoots,—Cheuk Shun		8	竹筍
Cabbage, Chinese, com.—Kai Choy		4	芥菜
Cabbage Red.—Kai Lan Tau	each	—	芥藍頭
Cabbage, (Shanghai),—Yeh Choi	"	15	椰菜
Cane Shoots, bunch,—Kau Shun	"	2	藕筍
Cauliflower, Large size,—Tai Yek Choi-fa	each	—	大椰菜花
" Medium size,—Cheung Yeh Choi-fa	"	—	中椰菜花
" Small size,—Sai Yeh Choi Fa	"	—	細椰菜花
Carrots,—Kam Shun		8	金筍
Celery, Chinese,—Tong Kan Choi		20	唐芹菜
" English,—Young " "		—	洋芹菜
" White,—Pak " "		—	白洋芹菜
Chilies Dried,—Con Lat Chiu		20	乾辣椒
" Red,—Hung Fa "		9	紅花椒
" Green,—Ching Lat Chiu		6	青辣椒
Curry Stuff, English,—Ka Lee Choi Liu		6	咖喱材料
Cucumbers,—Ching Kwa		4	青瓜
Bitter Squash,—Fu Kwa		—	苦瓜
Garlic,—Suen Tau		6	蒜頭
Ginger, young,—Sun Tsz Keung		5	新子薑
" old,—Lo Keung		4	老薑
Horse Radish, S'hai—Lik Kau		20	力菇
Indian Corn,—Suk Mai	piece	3	粟米
Lettuce,—Yeung Sang Choi	each	1	洋生菜
Water Chestnuts,—Ma Tai	"	4	馬蹄
" Mandarin,—Kwei Lum Ma Tai	"	8	桂林馬蹄
Mushrooms, Fresh—Sang Cho Kho		—	生草菇
Okroes,		13	
Onions, Bombay,—Yeung Ching an		8	洋蔥
" Green,—Sang Chung		4	生葱
" Shanghai,—Sheung Hai Chung Tsap		5	上海蔥
" Japan,—Yut Poon "		5	日本蔥
Parsley,—Kun Cho		1	芹菜
Gradus Pea,—Ho Lan Tau		—	荷蘭豆
Green Peas,—Ching Tau		—	青豆
Potatoes, Sweet,—Fan Shu		2	番薯
" Shanghai,—Sheung Hai Shu Tsai		2	上海番薯
" Japan,—Yut Poon Shu Tsai		—	日本番薯
" American,—Fa Ki " "		—	花旗番薯
" Foochow,—Fuk Chau Shu Tsai		—	福州番薯
" Macao,—Oh Moon "		—	澳門番薯
Pumpkin,—Tong Kwa		2	冬瓜
Radish,—Hung Lo Pak Tsai	dozen	2	紅蘿蔔
Rhubarb (Fresh)—Tai Wong		—	大黃
Shalots,—Con Chung Tau		10	蔥頭
Spinage, (Chinese),—Paw Choi		—	菠菜
Spinach,—Yin Choi		3	菠菜
Tomatoes,—Fan Ker		8	蕃茄
Taro,—Wu Tau		2	芋頭
Turnips, Punti, (Long),—Low Pak		4	蘿蔔
" English,—Jeung Low Pak	piece	—	洋蘿蔔
Vegetable Marrow,—Chit Kwa		4	瓜
Water Cresses,—Sai Yeung Choi		8	西洋菜
" Lily root,—Lin Ngau		4	蓮藕
Yams,—Ta Shu			大薯

H. A. JOHANSSEN,
Acting Inspector of Markets.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

October 15.

Jacob Diederichsen, German steamer, 620, B. Ohlson, Haiphong October 13, General.—JEBSEN & Co.

October 16.

Lyra, American str., 3,516, George V. Williams, Tacoma via Shanghai October 12, Lumber and Flour.—DODWELL & Co., LD.

Haimun, British str., 636, A. Robson, Swatow October 15, General.—DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP Co.

Suevia, German steamer, 4,150, W. v. Döhren, Shanghai October 13, General.—HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE.

Hongmoh, British str., 2,555, W. Dawson, Penang and Singapore Oct. 11, General.—CHINESE.

Dott, Norwegian steamer, 630, Gjimre, Chefoo October 10, General.—CHINESE.

October 17.

Loongsang, British str., 1,092, G. S. Weigal, Manila October 14, General.—JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.

Salazie, French steamer, 4,225, Negre, Yokohama October 7, Mails and General.—MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

Edendale, British steamer, 772, Moss, Singapore Sept. 27, and Saigon October 10, Rice and General.—MASTER.

Hongkong, French str., 742, A. Suzzoni, Haiphong and Hoihow Oct. 16, General and Rice.—A. R. MARTY.

Amara, British steamer, 1,566, C. J. Mattock, Moji Oct. 13, Coal.—JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.

Rubi, British str., 1,611, R. W. Almond, Manila October 15, General.—SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.

Hailoong, British steamer, 783, Chas. A. Mutton, from Paracels.—DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP Co.

Waishing, British str., from [illegible]

DEPARTURES.

October 16.

Zweena, for Shanghai.
Wongkoi, for Swatow.
Phranang, for Bangkok.
M. Struve, for Swatow.
Slavonia, for Yokohama.
Industrie, for Shanghai.

October 17.

Hanoi, for Haiphong.
Oanfa, for Sourabaya.
Chiyuen, for Shanghai.
[illegible], for Newchwang.

CLEARED.

Kentmere, for Baltimore.
Haimun, for Swatow.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED.

Per *Haimun*, from Swatow, Mrs Rozario, Miss Darby, Messrs Choffiet, Depmora, Bernard, Salloch, and 100 Chinese.

Per *Loongsang*, from Manila, Mr and Mrs Fisken, Messrs W. A. Stokes, A. J. Coneriba, F. G. Rodriquez, F. L. Corilo, G. Jessep, J. B. Clamber, D. J. Gomez, K. Asa, and 22 Chinese.

Per *Salazie*, for Hongkong from Kobe, Mr Gray; from Shanghai, Rev. P. Pasquet, Mrs Haver Droeze and child, Mrs Hall, Mrs Harvie Taber, Mrs Tamsett and 3 children, Mrs Affonse, Messrs Ricci and Nitram. For Saigon from Kobe, Mr Oengoulie. For Singapore: from Yokohama, Mr Shibuya; from Shanghai, Mr and Mrs Davabhoy, Messrs Klein and Korpie. For Port Said: from Shanghai, Mrs Tatarsay, Mr and Mrs Kislineoff, Mrs Kozlinska, and Mr Lanot. For Marseilles: from Yokohama, Mr Brinkley, Lt. Champoseau, Miss Lefort, Mrs Clegg and child; from Kobe, Mrs Rubattel, Messrs Orestein, Stepanoff, Mironoff, Fecoroff, Shutoff, Kusmitsheff, Prihpohi, Shpartuo, Kursiff, and Potehs; from Shanghai, Messrs Clegg, MacHugh, Bourgesy, Morten Olsen, Ungerer, Barraud, Florentin, Bou, Legros, Chaboucix, Castex, Totart, Largemain, Decepto, and Mrs Largemain.

Per *Rubi*, from Manila, Mr and Mrs C. H. Fullaway, Mr and Mrs P. G. Hoyt, Mrs Maria Rovida, Capt. W. H. Allaire, U.S.A., Mr Fred. W. Abele, and 63 Chinese.

Per *Hongmoh*, from Singapore, 489 Chinese.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The German steamer *Jacob Diederichsen* reports: From Haiphong Oct. 13th, fresh N.E'ly winds and fine weather throughout.

The British steamer *Haimun* reports: From Swatow October 15th, light N.E. monsoon and fine weather, sea smooth.

The British steamer *Hongmoh* reports: From Singapore October 11th, moderate to fresh variable winds, showery and fine weather to Paracels; fresh Easterly winds, overcast and smooth sea to port.

VISITORS AT HOTELS

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POST OFFICE NOTICES.

Mails will close:—

For MACAO.—
Per *Wingchai*, at 7 a.m., on Tuesday, the 18th October.

For CANTON.—
Per *Powan*, at 7.30 a.m., on Tuesday, the 18th October.

For SAIGON.—
Per *Gaea*, at 8 a.m., on Tuesday, the 18th October.

For SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW.—
Per *Haimun*, at 9 a.m., on Tuesday, the 18th October.

For MACAO.—
Per *Heungshan*, at 1.15 p.m., on Tuesday, the 18th October.

For SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA.—
Per *Lightning*, at 2 p.m., on Tuesday, the 18th October.

For MANILA.—
Per *Taming*, at 4 p.m., on Tuesday, the 18th October.

For AMOY, STRAITS & RANGOON.—
Per *Pundua*, at 5 p.m., on Tuesday, the 18th October.

For HAIPHONG.—
Per *Signal*, at 5 p.m., on Tuesday, the 18th October.

For AMOY.—
Per *Hongmoh*, at 5 p.m., on Tuesday, the 18th October.

For SWATOW, AMOY & ANPING.—
Per *Providence*, at 5 p.m., on Tuesday, the 18th October.

For KONGMOON & KUMCHUK.—
Per *Tak Hing*, at 5 p.m., on Tuesday, the 18th October.

For HOIHOW & PAKHOI.—
Per *Jacob Diederichsen*, at 5 p.m., on Tuesday, the 18th October.

For SWATOW & SHANGHAI.—
Per *Kwongsang*, at 5 p.m., on Tuesday, the 18th October.

For CANTON.—
Per *Honam*, at 5 p.m., on Tuesday, the 18th October.

For MANILA.—
Per *Loongsang*, at 3 p.m., on Friday, the 21st October.

MAILS BY THE FRENCH PACKET.—

The French Contract Packet *Salazie* will be despatched on TUESDAY, the 18th October, with Mails to the United Kingdom, the Continent of Europe, and places beyond, *via Marseilles*; to Saigon, Straits Settlements, Batavia, Burmah, Ceylon, Madras, the Australasian Colonies, Aden, Natal and the Cape, Egypt, Malta, and Gibraltar.

Printed Matter and Samples at 10 a.m.

Registration at 10 a.m.

Registration, with late fee of 10 cents, up to 10.45 a.m.

Letters at 11 a.m.

Late Letters 11 to 11.30 a.m. Extra Postage 10 cents.

(Letters posted in all the Pillar Boxes in time for the first clearance will be included in this contract mail.)

MAILS BY THE CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY CO.'S PACKET.—

The Canadian Pacific Mail Packet *Empress of China* will be despatched on WEDNESDAY, the 19th Oct., with Mails, for Shanghai, Japan, United States, Canada, &c., which will be closed as follows:—

Printed Matter and Samples at 10 a.m.

Registration at 10 a.m.

(Registration, with late fee of 10 cents, up to 10.45 a.m.)

Letters at 11 a.m.

(Supplementary Mail on board up to the time fixed for departure of the mail. Extra Postage 10 cents.)

WEATHER REPORT.

The following notice is issued by the Hongkong Observatory:—

On the 17th at 11.30 a.m. The barometer has risen rapidly in N. Japan, and fallen slightly in China.

Gradients are moderating upon the China Coast and moderate to fresh monsoon will continue in the Formosa Channel and in the northern part of the China Sea.

Forecast:—Moderate to fresh NE winds, cloudy, fine.

KING EDWARD HOTEL.

Mr D. C. Casulli	Mr V. Lugebil
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Mrs Hamblin	Mr Ernest A. G. May
Mr Thos. A. Hanmer	Mr R. S. Pierre
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Mr Brank	Mr J. Kernan
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Mr M. Corney	Mr S. Sheshawe
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Mrs M. A. Graham	Mr M. J. Whiley
Mr & Mrs R. Harding	Mr L. C. Young
Dr Hough	
Mr J. S. Jones	
Mr Bell Juily	

Temperature.

HONGKONG, October 17, 1904.

BAROMETER—	9 A.M.	29.97
Do.	1 P.M.	29.75
Do.	4 P.M.	29.70
THERMOMETER—	9 A.M.	77
Do.	1 P.M.	78
Do.	4 P.M.	78
Do. (Wet bulb)	9 A.M.	70
Do. Do.	1 P.M.	72
Do. Do.	4 P.M.	72
Do. Maximum		82
Do. Minimum over night		75

Merchant Vessels in Hongkong Harbour.

Exclusive of late Arrivals and Departures reported to-day.

To facilitate finding the position of any vessel in the Harbour, the Anchorage is divided into eleven Sections, commencing from Green Island. Vessels near the Hongkong shore are marked h., near the Kowloon shore k., and those in the body of the Shipping or midway between each shore are marked c., in conjunction with the figures denoting the sections.

Section.

1. From Green Island to the Gas Works.
2. From Gas Works to Jardine's Wharf.
3. From Jardine's Wharf to the Harbour's Officer
4. From Harbour Master's to the Market.
5. From The Market to Peddar's Wharf.
6. From Peddar's Wharf to the Naval Yard.
7. From Naval Yard to Blue Building.
8. From Blue Buildings to East Point.
9. From Kellet's Island to North Point.
10. Kowloon Wharves.
11. Jardine's Wharf.

Vessels' Names.	*Anchorage.*	*Captain.*	*Flag and Rig.*	*Tons nett.*	*Date of Arrival.*	*Consignees or Agents.*	*Destination.*	*Remarks.*
Steamers.								
Agincourt	....	Watson	British str.	2876	Oct. 3	Sander, Wieler & Co.	....	K'loon Dock
Binh-Thuan	3 c	Ribault	French str.	983	Oct. 15	Bradley & Co.		
Bourbon	3 c	Sisco	French str.	1500	Oct. 9	Chinese		
Chow Tai	3 c	Textor	Ger. str.	1115	Oct. 12	Butterfield & Swire		
Choysang	3 c	Roope	British str.	1242	Oct. 9	Jardine, Matheson & Co.		
Decima	3 c	Schlaikier	Ger. str.	965	Oct. 14	Sander, Wieler & Co.		
Dott	3 c	Gjimre	Norw. str.	630	Oct. 16	Chinese		
Elg	3 c	Christophersen	Norw. str.	3216	Sept. 30	Sander, Wieler & Co.		
Empress of China	4 c	Beetham	British str.	3003	Sept. 27	C. P. R. Co.	Vancouver (B.C.)	Oct. 19.
Fausang	9 c	Mitchell	British str.	1410	Oct. 12	Jardine, Matheson & Co.		
Gaea	3 c	Dahl	Norw. str.	625	Oct. 10	Chinese	Saigon	Oct. 18.
Haimun	5 h	Robson	British str.	636	Oct. 16	Douglas Steamship Co.	Swatow & Foochow	Oct. 18.
Hongkong	3 c	Suzzoni	French str.	377	Oct. 17	A. R. Marty		
Hongmoh	3 c	Dawson	British str.	2555	Oct. 16	Chinese	Amoy	Oct. 19.
Jacob Diederichsen	3 c	Ohlsen	Ger. str.	623	Oct. 15	Jebsen & Co.	Hoihow & Pakhoi	Oct. 19.
Karin	3 c	Petterson	Swed. str.	697	Oct. 7	Sander, Wieler & Co		
Kampot	3 c	Nona	French str.	900	Sept. 4	Bradley & Co.		
Keong-wai	3 c	Mollermann	Ger. str.	1115	Oct. 14	Butterfield & Swire		
Kwang Lee	3 c	Lincoln	Chi. str.	1467	Oct. 14	C. M. S. N. Co.		
Kwongsang	3 c	Lake	British str.	1427	Oct. 13	Jardine Matheson & Co.		
Lightning	4 c	Spence	British str.	2122	Oct. 10	David Sassoon & Co., Ld.	S'pore & Calcutta	Oct. 18.
Lilia	....	Morris	British str.	1384	Sept. 28	Chinese	....	Cos'tan Dock
Loongsang	5 c	Weigall	British str.	1092	Oct. 17	Jardine, Matheson & Co.		
Lyra	3 c	Williams	Amer. str.	3516	Oct. 16	Dodwell & Co., Ld.		
Mazagon	k w	Hall	British str.	3280	Oct. 14	P. & O. S. N. Co.		
Melita	3 c	Prevot	French str.	200	Oct. 13	Bradley & Co.		
Nanshan	8 c	Stovell	British str.	1299	Oct. 3	Mitsui Bussan Kaisha		
Paklat	3 c	Demes	Ger. str.	1018	Oct. 5	Butterfield & Swire		
Providence	3 c	Cornelsen	Norw. str.	963	Oct. 14	Osaka Shosen Kaisha	Swatow & Anping	Oct. 19.
Pundua	3 c	Thomson	British str.	2126	Oct. 14	Butterfield & Swire	Amoy & Rangoon	Oct. 18.
Rubi	5 c	Almond	British str.	1611	Oct. 17	Shewan, Tomes & Co.	Manila	Oct. 22.
Salazie	4 c	Negre	French str.	4225	Oct. 17	Messageries Maritimes	Europe, &c.	Oct. 18.
Shahzada	3 c	Martin	British str.	1293	Oct. 14	Chinese		
Signal	3 c	Bendixsen	Ger. str.	907	Oct. 14	Jebsen & Co.	Haiphong	Oct. 19.
Sikh		Rowley	British str.	3216	Oct. 12	Dodwell & Co., Ld.	....	K'loon Dock
Slavonia	k w	Madsen	Ger. str.	3206	Oct. 13	Hamburg-Amerika Linie		
Suevia	4 c	Dohren	Ger. str.	4150	Oct. 16	Hamburg-Amerika Linie		
Taming	4 c	Pennefather	British str.	1360	Oct. 14	Butterfield & Swire	Manila	Oct. 18.
Thales	5 h	Crowe	British str.	836	Oct. 11	Douglas Steamship Co.		
Tsinan	4 c	Brown	British str.	1463	Oct. 15	Butterfield & Swire		
Waishing	c	Courtney	British str.	1170	Oct. 9	Jardine Matheson & Co.		
Whampoa	3 c	Partridge	British str.	1109	Oct. 11	Butterfield & Swire		
Yatshing	9 c	Sellar	British str.	1424	Oct. 12	Jardine, Matheson & Co.		
Sailing Vessels								
E. B. Sutton	2 c	Johnson	Amer. bqe.	1248	July 19	Order		
Evie J. Ray	2 c	Kasten	Amer. bqe	918	Aug. 6	Sander, Wieler & Co.		
Kentmere	2 c	Burch	British sh.	2500	June 14	Standard Oil Co.		

STEAMERS PASSED SUEZ CANAL

[SUPPLIED THROUGH REUTER].

Tiberghien, September 2; *Battersea*, 6; *Bucenaur*, 9; *Alesia*, *Verona*, *Pollux*, *Scottish Monarch*, *Schuylkell*, *Skuld*, 13; *Longships*, *O. Ferd Laisz*, *Newtonhall*, *Riverdale*, 16; *Moyune*, *Flintshire*, *Geltic*, *Princess*, 20; *Agamemnon*, *Segovia*, 23; *Indravelli*, *Kirklee*, *Lauschan*, *Nordpol*, *Bede*, 27; *Ceylon*, *Pyrrhus*, *Yangtsze*, *Monmouthshire*, *Breizel*, 30; *Beamohr*, *Falodon Hall*, *Java*, *Badenia*, *Eiger*, *Prinz Regent Luitpold*, *Poschan*, October 4; *Ardandearg*, *Menelaus*, *Radnorshire*, *Bardong*, *Ganges*, *Gneisernau*, *Manica*, *Peleus*, *Simoom*, *Spezia*, 7; *Glenturret* 11; *Candia*, *Ernest Simons*, *Glenfarg*, *Senegambia*, *Shrewsbury*, 14.

Mails.

The C. P. R. Co.'s s.s. *Empress of India* left Vancouver on Monday afternoon, the 3rd October for Hongkong, via the usual Ports of Call.

The P. M. S. S. *Korea*, with mails, &c., from San Francisco to the 20th Sept., via Honolulu, has arrived at Yokohama, and left for this port via Inland Sea, Kobe, Nagasaki and Manila, on the 1?th Oct.

The P. M. S. S. *Siberia*, with mails &c., left San Francisco for this port via Honolulu, Yokohama, Inland Sea, Kobe, Nagasaki and Shanghai, on the 7th October.

Steamers Expected.

The Java-China-Japan-Lijn steamer *Tjipanas* left Kobe for this port on the 8th October, and may be expected here on or about the 16th October.

The Java-China-Japan-Lijn steamer *Tjilatjap* left Macassar for this port on the 9th October, and may be expected here on or about the 17th October.

The N. Y. K. s.s. *Yawata Maru* (Australian Line) left Kobe, via Moji and Nagasaki for this port on the 11th October, and is expected to arrive here on the 18th October.

The Austrian Lloyd's s.s. *Maria Valerie* left Singapore for this port on the 13th October, and is due here on Tuesday, the 18th October, at 4 p.m.

The C. P. R. Co.'s s.s. *Tartar* arrived at Shanghai at 5 a.m. on Friday, the 14th October, and left again at midnight on same day for Hongkong, where she is due to arrive at 7 a.m. on Tuesday, the 18th October.

The Indo-China S. N. Co. Ld.'s s.s. *Kumsang* from Calcutta and The Straits, left Singapore for this port on the 13th October, p.m.

The P. & O. Co.'s s.s. *Banca* is due here about the 26th October.

The P. & A steamer *Arabia* sailed from Portland, Ore., on Oct. 6th, via Japan ports, and may be expected here on the 7th November.

The A. A. s.s. *Massapequa* left New York on 6th Oct., and is due here on or about the 29th November.

Latest Advices.

The P. & O. Co.'s s.s. *Simla* with the ENGLISH MAIL of the 23rd September, left Singapore on Sunday, the 16th Oct., at noon, and may be expected here on or about Friday, the 21st Oct. This Packet brings replies to letters despatched from Hongkong on the 23rd August.

The s.s. *Achilles* left Shanghai on 15th Oct., and is expected here on the afternoon of 18th Oct.

The s.s. *Agamemnon* left Singapore on the 16th Oct., at daylight, and is expected on the 21st Oct., at daylight.

The C. P. R. Co.'s s.s. *Athenian* arrived at Shanghai at 6 p.m. on Saturday, the 15th October, and left again at midnight on same day for Nagasaki, where she is due to arrive at 5 p.m., on Monday, the 17th October.

Exchange.

HONGKONG, October 17, 1904.

On London—	
Bank, Wire,	1/10
,, On demand,	1/10⅛
,, 30 days' sight,	1/10¼
,, 4 months' sight,	1/10⅜
Credits, 4 ,, ,,	1/10⅝
Documentary, 4 months' sight,	1/10⅝
On Paris—	
On demand,	230½
Credits, 4 months' sight,	234
On Berlin—	
On Demand,	187½
On New York—	
On demand,	44⅜
Credits, 60 days' sight,	45⅜
On Bombay—	
Wire,	137
On demand,	137¼
On Calcutta—	
Wire,	137
On demand,	137¼
On Singapore—	
On demand,	5½% pm.
On Manila—	
On demand, Pesos,	89⅜
On Shanghai—	
On demand,	71¼
30 days' sight, (private paper)	72⅜
On Yokohama—	
On demand,	90⅜
Gold Leaf, 100 fine, (per tael)	$56.70
Sovereigns (Bank's buying rate)	$10.80
Silver (per oz.)	26⅜

Hongkong Tides.

The tide table given below has been compiled at the Nautical Almanac Office in London from the result of the analysis of observations taken by means of an automatic tide-recording machine in the Water Police Basin at Tsim Sha Tsui during the years 1887-8-9.

The zero of the table corresponds with the zero of the soundings in the Admiralty Charts which has been found to be 4 feet 3 inches below mean sea level.

To obtain the depth of water on the tide gauge at the Victoria Naval Yard add 3 feet 4 inches, and on the gauge at Lamont Dock, Aberdeen, add 10 feet 6 inches to the height given in the table.

October 18th to 24th, 1904.

Day of Week.	Day of Month.	HIGH WATER. Hongkong Mean Time.	HIGH WATER. Height.	LOW WATER. Hongkong Mean Time.	LOW WATER. Height.
		h m	feet.	h m	feet.
Tues.	18	m 8 56 6 50 a	6 2 5 9	m 11 11 10 58 a	2.8 4.8
Wed.	19	m 5 10 7 21 a	6.1 5.6	0 0 a	2.7
Thur.	20	m 6 15 7 44 a	6.1 5.8	m 0 5 0 40 a	4.4 2.6
Fri.	21	m 7 10 8 3 a	6.2 6.1	m 0 58 1 16 a	3.9 2.6
Sat.	22	m 7 53 8 20 a	6.2 6.4	m 1 30 1 50 a	3 5 2.6
Sun.	23	m 8 32 8 38 a	6.3 6.7	m 2 17 2 22 a	3 0 2.7
Mon.	24	m 9 9 8 58 a	6 2 7.0	m 2 54 2 52 a	2.6 2.8

Hongkong Register.

	Previous day at 4 p.m.	On date at 10 a.m.	On date at 4 p.m.
Barometer	29.93	30.02	29 95
Temperature	79	78	77
Humidity	78	74	72
Direction of Wind	ESE	ENE	E
Force	3	3	4
Weather	b	o	o
Rain	—	—	—

Highest open air temperature on the 15th.... .83
Lowest open air temperature on the 15th......74

J. I. PLUMMER, *Chief Assistant.*

Hongkong Observatory, Oct. 16th, 1904.

VESSELS AT THE DOCKS.—*At Kowloon*, Agincourt, Likin, U.S.S. Pathfinder, U.S.S. Fathomer, U.S.S. Chauncey, U.S.S. Bainbridge, H.I.G.M.S. Hansa, Kaipan, Sikh, Melita.

Cosmopolitan.—Lilia.

Aberdeen.—[illegible]

China Coast Meteorological Register.

16th October.—AT 4 P.M.

Station.	Hours.	Barometer.	Temperature.	Humidity.	Wind. Direction.	Wind. Force.	Weather.
V'lostock	2 p.	—	—	—	—	—	—
Nemuro	,,	29.61	—	—	W	4	—
Hakodate	,,	29.85	—	—	NW	6	—
Tokio	,,	29.94	—	—	S	2	—
Kochi	,,	29.95	—	—	E	0	—
Nagasaki	,,	30.03	—	—	N	2	—
Kagoshima	,,	29.99	—	—	S	2	—
Oshima	,,	29.96	—	—	NE	6	—
Naha	,,	29.93	—	—	N	6	—
Ishi'jima	,,	29.97	—	—	N	6	—
Taihoku	1 p.	30.0	—	—	SE	4	—
Taichu	,,	29.93	—	—	N	4	—
Tainan	,,	—	—	—	—	—	—
Koshun	,,	29.96	—	—	NE	4	—
Pescadores	,,	29.98	—	—	NE	10	—
Weihaiwei	3 p.	—	—	—	—	—	—
Gutzlaff	,,	30.08	69	75	NE	3	cv
Sharp Pk.	,,	30.03	73	74	E	3	o
Amoy	,,	29.93	79	95	NE	2	o
Swatow	,,	29.86	80	66	E	4	b
Canton	,,	30.0	79	78	NE	1	c
Hongkong	4 p.	29.95	77	72	E	4	o
Vict. Peak	,,	—	—	—	E	4	—
Gap Rock	,,	29.90	—	—	ENE	5	—
Macao	,,	29.92	79	—	E	3	c
Haiphong	,,	—	—	—	—	—	—
Manila	,,	29.80	82	70	ENE	1	o
Bacolod	3 p.	—	—	—	NW	1	cd
Iloilo	,,	29.79	85	—	—	0	o
Cebu	,,	29.81	86	—	N	2	b
O. S. James	4 p.	—	—	—	—	—	—
Malate	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

17th October.—AT 10 A.M.

Station.	Hours.	Barometer.	Temperature.	Humidity.	Wind. Direction.	Wind. Force.	Weather.
V'lostock	7 a.	—	—	—	—	—	—
Nemuro	6 a.	30.12	—	—	N	8	—
Hakodate	,,	30.25	—	—	—	0	—
Tokio	,,	30.22	—	—	N	—	—
Kochi	,,	30.03	—	—	E	4	—
Nagasaki	,,	30.03	—	—	NE	2	—
Kagoshima	,,	30.03	—	—	E	4	—
Oshima	,,	29.96	—	—	—	0	—
Naha	,,	29.93	—	—	NE	2	—
Ishi'jima	,,	29.93	—	—	NE	2	—
Taihoku	5 a.	30.01	—	—	S	2	—
Taichu	,,	29.94	—	—	—	0	—
Tainan	,,	29.94	—	—	NE	2	—
Koshun	,,	29.92	—	—	NE	4	—
Pescadores	,,	29.94	—	—	NE	10	—
Weihaiwei	9 a.	30.17	63	—	NW	3	b
Gutzlaff	,,	30.08	69	75	ENE	3	cv
Sharp Pk.	,,	30.06	73	83	NE	3	o
Amoy	6 a.	29.85	70	75	N	2	b
Swatow	9 a.	—	—	—	—	—	—
Canton	,,	29.94	73	95	E	1	b
Hongkong	10 a.	30.02	76	71	E	4	o
Vict. Peak	,,	—	—	—	E	4	—
Gap Rock	,,	29.98	—	—	ENE	6	—
Macao	,,	29.98	79	—	E	2	c
Haiphong	,,	—	—	—	—	—	—
Manila	,,	29.86	84	77	—	0	o
Bacolod	9 a.	—	—	—	NE	1	o
Iloilo	,,	29.86	81	—	N	1	o
Cebu	,,	29.90	83	—	—	0	b
C. S. James	10 a.	—	—	—	—	—	—
Malate	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

J. I. PLUMMER, *Chief Assistant.*

Hongkong Observatory, Oct. 17, 1904.

1. BAROMETER, reduced to 32 degrees Fahrenheit and to the level of the sea in inches, tenths, and hundredths.
2. TEMPERATURE in the shade, in degrees Fahrenheit.
3. HUMIDITY, in percentage of saturation, the humidity of air saturated with moisture being 100.
4. DIRECTION OF WIND, to two points.
5. FORCE OF WIND, according to Beaufort Scale.
6. STATE OF WEATHER: b blue sky, c detached clouds, d drizzling rain, f fog, g gloomy, h hail, l lightning, o overcast, p passing showers, q squally, r rain, s snow, t thunder, v visibility, w dew (wet).
7. RAIN in inches, tenths and hundredths.

Vessels Advertised as Loading.

Destination.	*Vessels.*	*Agents.*	*Date of Leaving.*
Australian Ports	Taiyuan (s)	Butterfield & Swire	October 27.
Amoy and Manila	Rubi (s)	Shewan, Tomes & Co.	Oct. 20, at Noon.
Genoa, Mars., L'pool.	Achilles (s)	Butterfield & Swire	October 20.
Genoa, Mars., L'pool.	Agamemnon (s)	Butterfield & Swire	November 22.
Japan via Shanghai	Tjilatjap (s)	Java-China-Japan Lijn	2nd half of Oct.
Java Ports	Tjipanas (s)	Java-China-Japan Lijn	2nd half of Oct.
Japan via Shanghai	Tjimahi (s)	Java-China-Japan Lijn	1st half of Nov.
Kobe	Mazagon (s)	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About October 18.
London, Antwerp, &c.	Malacca (s)	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About Oct. 23.
L'don, Am'dam, A'erp	Pingsuey (s)	Butterfield & Swire	October 25.
L'don, Am'dam, A'erp	Machaon (s)	Butterfield & Swire	November 8.
L'don, Am'dam, A'erp	Jason (s)	Butterfield & Swire	November 29.
London, &c.	Malta (s)	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Oct. 22, at Noon.
Marseilles via Saigon.	Salazie (s)	Messageries Maritimes	Oct. 18, at 1 p.m.
Manila	Zafiro (s)	Shewan, Tomes & Co.	Oct. 29, at 10 a.m.
Manila	Taming (s)	Butterfield & Swire	October 18.
Manila	Loongsang (s)	Jardine, Matheson & Co	Oct. 21, at 4 p.m.
NewYork v.SuezCanal	St Hugo (s)	Dodwell & Co. Limited	About Nov. 18.
NewYork v.SuezCanal	Olaverburn (s)	Shewan, Tomes & Co.	About Oct. 22.
NewYork v.SuezCanal	Kennebec (s)	Standard Oil Co.	About Nov. 12.
Shanghai	Simla (s)	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About Oct. 21.
Shanghai, Moji & Kobe	Banca (s)	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About Oct. 25.
S'hai, Y'ham & Kobe	Maria Valerie (s)	Sander, Wieler & Co.	October 21, p.m.
S'hai and Portland, Or.	Numuntia (s)	Portland & A. S. Co.	October 27.
S'hai and Portland, Or.	Arabia (s)	Portland & A. S. Co.	November 19.
S'hai and Portland, Or	Aragonia (s)	Portland & A. S. Co.	December 13.
S'pore, P'ang, Cl'bo &c.	Trieste (s)	Sander, Wieler & Co.	October 29, p.m.
S'pore, P'ang, Calcutta.	Lightning (s)	D. Sassoon, Sons & Co.	Oct. 18, at 3 p.m.
S'tow, Amoy & Anping	Providence (s)	Osaka Shosen Kaisha.	Oct. 19, Daylight.
S'tow, Amoy & Tamsui	Frithjof (s)	Osaka Shosen Kaisha.	Oct. 23, Daylight.
S'tow, Amoy, Foochow	Triumph (s)	Osaka Shosen Kaisha.	Oct. 26, Daylight.
S'tow, Amoy & Tamsui	M. Struve (s)	Osaka Shosen Kaisha.	Oct. 30, Daylight.
S'tow, Amoy & F'chow	Haimun (s)	Douglas Lapraik & Co.	Oct. 18, at 10 a.m.
S'tow, Amoy & Tamsui	Thales (s)	Douglas Lapraik & Co.	Oct. 20 Daylight.
S'tow C'foo & T'sin	Kansu (s)	Butterfield & Swire	October 27.
Victoria, B.C., Tacoma	Yangtsze (s)	Butterfield & Swire	November 1.
Victoria, B.C., Tacoma	Lyra (s)	Dodwell & Co. Limited	About Oct. 29.
Vancouver (B.C.), &c.	Empress of China (s)	Canadian P'fic R. Co	October 19.
Vancouver (B.C.), &c.	Tartar (s)	Canadian P'fic R. Co	November 2.
Vancouver (B.C.), &c.	Empress of India (s)	Canadian P'fic R. Co.	November 16.

SHARE LIST.—QUOTATIONS.

October 17, 1904.

Stocks.	*No. of Shares.*	*Value.*	*Paid up.*	*Closing Quotations. Cash.*
BANKS.				
Hongkong and Shanghai Bank Corp.	80,000	$ 125	all	$670, sales London, £68
National Bank of China, Limited	19,970 29,855	£ 10 £ 10	£ 8 £ 8	$38, sellers $38, sellers
Do. Founders' shares	750	£ 1	£ 1	$10, buyers
MARINE INSURANCES.				
Canton Insurance Office Co., Ld.	10,000	$ 250	$ 50	$250, sales
China Traders' Insurance Co., Ld.	24,000	$ 83.33	$ 25	$61, sellers
North-China Insurance Co., Ld.	10,000	£ 15	£ 5	Tls. 75, buyers
Union Insurance Society, Ld.	10,000	$ 250	$ 100	$635, buyers
Yangtsze Insurance Association, Ld.	8,000	$ 100	$ 60	$145, buyers
FIRE INSURANCES.				
China Fire Insurance Co., Ld.	20,000	$ 100	20	$87, sales & buyers
Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Ld.	8,000	$ 250	50	$335
DOCKS, ETC.				
H'kong & Whampoa Dock Co. Ld.	50,000	$ 50	all	$?24, sellers
Geo. Fenwick & Co., Limited.	6,000	$ 25	$ 25	$47, sales & sellers
New Amoy Dock Co., Ltd.	6,000	$ 6¼	$ 6¼	$27½, sellers
S. C. Farnham, Boyd & Co. Ld.	55,700	Tls. 100	Tls100	Tls. 174
STEAMBOATS, TUGS, ETC.				
China and Manila S. S. Co. Ld.	30,000	$ 50	$ 50	$25½, sellers
Douglas Steamship Co., Limited	20,000	$ 50	all	$32, sales & sellers
HK. C. and M. Steamboat Co., Ld.	80,000	$ 15	$ 15	$29½, sales
Indo-China S. N. Company, Limited.	60,000	£ 10	all	$131, sellers
Star Ferry Company, Ld.	10,000 10,000	$ 10 $ 10	$ 10 $ 5	$40, buyers $30, sellers
Shell Transport & Trading Co., Ltd.	2,000,000	£ 1	£ 1	24/6 sellers
Taku Tug and Lighter Co., Ld.	8,600	Tls. 50	Tls 50	Tls. 30
Shanghai Tug & Lighter Co., Ltd. do. Preference.	200,000 100,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 47, buyers Tls. 45, buyers
REFINERIES.				
China Sugar Company, Limited	20,000	$ 100	a	$238
Luzon Sugar Company, Limited	7,000	$ 100	a	$6, sellers
Perak Sugar Cultivation Co., Ld	7,000	Tls. 50	T 50	Tls. 60, sellers
WHARVES.				
HK. & Kow. Wharf & Godown Co.	30,000	$ 50	all	$114, buyers
Shanghai and Hongkew Wharf Co.	20,100	Tls. 100	Tls100	Tls. 135 old, & 132 new
LAND AND BUILDING.				
Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Company, Limited	50,000	$ 100	100	$152, sellers
Shanghai Land Investment Co., Ld.	52,000	Tls. 50	Tls.50	Tls. 112, buyers
Kowloon Land and Building Company	6,000	$ 50	30	$39, sellers
Wei-hai-wei Land & Building Co., Ld	3,764	Tls. 25	Tls.25	Tls. 12, buyers
Humphreys Estate & Finance Co.	100,000 50,000	$ 10 $ 10	all $ 2½	$12.75, sales $5, sellers
West Point Building Co., Limited	12,500	$ 50	$ 50	$60, sellers
TRAMWAYS.				
HK High-Level Tramways Co., Ld.	1,250	$ 100	all	$300
MINING.				
Société Francaise des Charbonnages du Tonkin.	16,000	Fcs. 250	all	$490
Raub Aust. Gold Mining Co., Ld.	200,000	£ 1	18/10	$6, buyers
HOTELS, ETC.				
Hongkong Hotel Company, Ltd.	12,000	$ 50	all	$137, sales & buyers
Astor House Hotel Ltd. (Tientsin)	2,000	T. Tls.50	Tls.50	Tls. 150
Astor House Hotel Co., Ltd. (S'hai)	30,000	$ 25	$ 25	$27, buyers
DISPENSARIES.				
A. S. Watson & Co., Limited. do.	60,000 30,000	$ 10	$ 10	$13.75, sales & sellers $13, sales & sellers
Watkins Limited	10,000	$ 10	$ 10	$9½, buyers
LIGHTING.				
HK. and China Gas Co., Limited	7,000	£ 10	all	$160, buyers
Shanghai Gas Company, Ltd.	8,000	Tls. 50	Tls.50	Tls. 102½, sales
Hongkong Electric Co., Limited	30,000	$ 10	$ 10	$15, sales
New Electrics (new issue)	30,000	$ 10	$ 5	$9½, sellers
BRICK AND CEMENT.				
Green Island Cement Co., Ld.	50,000	$ 10	$ 10	$31, buyers
MISCELLANEOUS.				
Bell's Asbestos Eastern Agency, Ld.	8,604	£ 12/6	£ 12/6	$5½
United Asbestos Oriental Agency, Limited	9,000 ord'y 100 fdrs	$ 10 $ 10	$ 4 10	$9½, buyers $180
Hk. Steam Water-boat Co., Ltd.	7,500 7,500	$ 10	$ 10	$21, sellers 20, sellers
Hongkong Dairy Farm Co.	10,000	$ 7½	all	$22, buyers
Hongkong Ice Company, Limited	5,000	$ 25	all	$250, sellers
Shanghai Waterworks Co., Ltd.	7,200	£ 20	£ 20	Tls. 387½, buyers
Tebrau Planting Company, Ltd.	20,000	$ 5	$ 5	$1
H'kong Rope Manufactory Co., Ld.	10,000	$ 50	all	$140, sellers
Hongkong Cotton Spinning Co., Ld.	120,000	10	$ 10	$10, sales
Ewo Cotton Spinning and Weaving Co., Ld.	20,000	Tls. 50	Tls 50	Tls. 30, sellers
International Cotton Manufacturing Co., Ld.	10,000	Tls. 75	Tls.75	Tls. 25
Laou-Kung-Mow Cotton Spinning and Weaving Co., Ld.	8,000	Tls. 100	Tls100	Tls. 22½
Soy Chee Cotton Spinning Co., Ld.	2,000	Tls. 500	Tls 500	Tls. 160, sellers
China Provident Loan Mortgage Co. Ld.	50,000	$ 10	$ 10	$9½, sales
China Borneo Company, Ltd.	60,000	$ 12	$ 12	$11½, buyers
Campbell, Moore & Co., Limited	1,200	$ 10	all	$40, buyers
Wm. Powell, Ld.	12,000	$ 10	$ 10	$11½, sellers
Shanghai and Hongkong Dyeing and Cleaning Co., Ld.	1,200	$ 50	$ 50	$50
CIGAR COMPANIES.				
Philippine Co., Ld.	67,500	$ 10	$ 10	$9½, sellers
Alhambra Limited	300	$ 500	$ 500	$100, sellers

LOANS.	*Amount.*	*Value.*	*Interest*	*Quotation*
Chinese Imperial 1886 E	Tls. 767,200	Tls. 250	7 % p. annum	Par.

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